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Bill Number:	Н. 4937	Introduced on January 24, 2024
Author:	Collins	
Subject:	Pickens County Voting Precincts	
Requestor:	Senate Judiciary	
RFA Analyst(s):	Tipton	
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## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill allows the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Pickens County, notwithstanding the provisions of §7-7-920 related to municipal elections, to locate a polling place within five miles of a voting precinct's boundaries if the board determines that the precinct contains no suitable location for a polling place.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the State Elections Commission (SEC), as the commission indicates that management of precinct polling locations will take place under normal operations.

This bill is not expected to have an expenditure impact on Pickens County, as it is permissive with relation to the board's ability to set polling locations outside of voting precincts. We will update this fiscal impact statement if additional information to the contrary is received from Pickens County.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

#### Introduced on January 24, 2024 State Expenditure

This bill allows the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Pickens County, notwithstanding the provisions of §7-7-920 related to municipal elections, to locate a polling place within five miles of a voting precinct's boundaries if the board determines that the precinct contains no suitable location for a polling place. Any polling place set by the board must be approved by a majority of the county's legislative delegation.

The SEC indicates that management of precinct polling locations will take place under normal commission operations, and therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the SEC.

# State Revenue

N/A

#### Local Expenditure

This bill allows the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Pickens County, notwithstanding the provisions of §7-7-920 related to municipal elections of council members, to locate a polling place within five miles of a precinct's boundaries if the board determines that the precinct contains no suitable location for a polling place.

This bill is permissive as it relates to the board's ability to set the polling location outside of a precinct that does not contain a suitable venue. Therefore, we anticipate that this bill will have no expenditure impact on Pickens County. We will update this fiscal impact statement if additional information to the contrary is received from Pickens County.

#### Local Revenue

N/A

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