

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS32559 / H0347

This appropriation to the Office of the Secretary of the State provides enhancements to the FY 2026 budget. As detailed in Table 1, it appropriates an additional \$468,300 from the General Fund. This increase provides funding for a deputy business director, software subscriptions, information technology training, funding for the Blue Book and Constitution publications, conference costs, general inflation for postage costs, and replacement items.



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## FISCAL NOTE

This appropriation provides an additional \$468,300 to the maintenance appropriation provided to the Secretary of State found in House Bill 249. Table 1 shows incremental adjustments to the budget found in the bill, of which the ongoing increase is \$320,300, and the onetime increase is \$148,000. Table 2 shows all the adjustments leading to the FY 2026 Total. The total budget for the Office of the Secretary of State is \$5,711,000.

Table 1	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
2. Deputy Business Director	0.00	36,500	0	0	36,500
3. Software Subscriptions	0.00	313,100	0	0	313,100
4. IT Training	0.00	20,000	0	0	20,000
5. Blue Book and Constitution	0.00	45,000	0	0	45,000
6. Conference Costs	0.00	6,700	0	0	6,700
53. General Inflation	0.00	6,500	0	0	6,500
58. Replacement Items	0.00	40,500	0	0	40,500
<b>FY 2026 Budget Enhancements</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>468,300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>468,300</b>
<b>% Chg from FY 2026 Maintenance</b>		<b>8.9%</b>			<b>8.9%</b>

Table 2	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
<b>FY 2025 Original Appropriation</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>5,233,800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,233,800</b>
Prior Year Reappropriation	0.00	8,179,300	0	0	8,179,300
<b>FY 2025 Total Appropriation</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>13,413,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,413,100</b>
Executive Carry Forward	0.00	20,200	0	0	20,200
Expenditure Adjustments	0.00	0	0	515,500	515,500
<b>FY 2025 Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>13,433,300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>515,500</b>	<b>13,948,800</b>
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(8,604,200)	0	(515,500)	(9,119,700)
<b>FY 2026 Base</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>4,829,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,829,100</b>
Personnel Benefit Costs	0.00	39,400	0	0	39,400
Contract Inflation	0.00	192,300	0	0	192,300
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	17,400	0	0	17,400
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	164,500	0	0	164,500
<b>FY 2026 Program Maintenance - HB 249</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>5,242,700</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,242,700</b>
<b>FY 2026 Budget Enhancements</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>468,300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>468,300</b>
<b>FY 2026 Total</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>5,711,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,711,000</b>
Chg from FY 2025 Orig Approp	0.00	477,200	0	0	477,200
<b>% Chg from FY 2025 Orig Approp.</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>			<b>9.1%</b>

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