STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25781

This proposed legislation amends the existing statutes for notaries public, amending sections of Title 51 to further clarify requirements for stamping devices and provide specific differentiated details for tangible versus electronic records. In addition, the language pertaining to the qualifications for application of a notary have been reworded for clarity, and removes a line pertaining to "disqualifications", as the existing reference points to statute that says that certain conditions "may" prompt the Secretary of State to refuse to issue a commission, not that an applicant "shall be disqualified". Finally, this proposal removes all references to a "renewal", as notaries are not renewed, but rather submit a new application and are recommissioned every 6 years.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund anticipated in connection to this proposed legislation, and all technological implementation is covered within the scope of an existing IT project.

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