

SB 224 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**Carrier:** Sen. Manning Jr**Senate Committee On Rules****Action Date:** 04/02/25**Action:** Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)**Vote:** 5-0-0-0**Yeas:** 5 - Bonham, Golden, Jama, Manning Jr, Thatcher**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact**Revenue:** No revenue impact**Prepared By:** Leslie Porter, LPRO Analyst**Meeting Dates:** 2/17, 4/2**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

The measure prohibits the Secretary of State (SoS) from publishing the residence address of any individual associated with a candidate's principal campaign committee, a political committee, and a petition committee, on its electronic filing system, unless an individual directs the SoS to publish their address. It also subjects these addresses to public record requests and sets an operative date of January 2, 2027.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Consequences and outcomes of having a candidate's residence address be published
- The current process of opting out of having a candidate's residence address be published
- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

The amendment does three things. First, it changes whose residence address the Secretary of State (SoS) may not publish to be any individual associated with a candidate's principal campaign committee, a political committee, and a petition committee on its electronic filing system, and allows an individual to direct the SoS to publish their address. Second, it makes these addresses subject to public records requests. Third, it sets an operative date of January 2, 2027.

BACKGROUND:

In 2005, the Secretary of State was required to develop an electronic filing system to be used by all candidates and political committees to file their statements of contributions received and statements of expenditures made. In 2007 and 2013, petition committee treasurers and persons making independent expenditures, respectively, were required to use the system. All statements and data filed are to be made public by the Secretary through a searchable database on the internet.

Statements of contribution require that the name, occupation, and address of each person, political committee, or petition committee, and amount contributed, be provided. Statements of expenditure require the amount and purpose of each expenditure, and the city and state of each payee, be included. This information is made public via the electronic filing system.

[House Bill 4144 A \(2022\)](#) allowed election workers to exempt their residential address from disclosure as a public record. [House Bill 3073 A \(2023\)](#) limited the public accessibility of a candidate's residence address listed on a nominating petition or declaration of candidacy, and the residence address of a candidate or elected official on the list of registered voters, but kept those addresses subject to public records requests.