

Subject Election security appropriations

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Summary

This bill appropriates \$5,000,000 to the secretary of state for expenses associated with the security of elections.

A number of authorized uses of these funds is provided, including improvements to the physical security of polling places and locations administering elections; preparing training materials and training local election officials; implementing physical security improvements for election systems; and funding other activities to improve the security of elections.

The secretary of state is required to distribute grants to local units of government to support these authorized uses. Specific details of the grant application process and distribution of funds are listed in the bill. A county is eligible for a grant of no less than \$30,000. Remaining grant funds must be distributed based on the citizen voting age population of each political subdivision. A legislative report detailing the use of funds is due no later than January 31, 2023.