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# **HOUSE BILL NO. 432**

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To repeal section 115.063, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to election costs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 115.063, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 115.063, to read as follows:

- 115.063. 1. When any question or candidate is submitted to a vote by any political subdivision or special district and no other question or candidate is submitted at the same election, all costs of the election shall be paid from the general revenue of the political subdivision or special district submitting a question or candidate at the election.
- 2. All costs of special elections involving a statewide candidate or statewide issue and all costs of special elections involving candidates for state senator or state representative shall be paid by the state, except that if a political subdivision or special district holds an election on the same day, the costs shall be shared proportionately by the state and the political subdivisions and special districts affected in the manner provided in section 115.065.
- 3. [The state shall not be liable for any costs of a general election or primary election held in even-numbered years as designated in subsections 1 and 2 of section 115.121.
- 4.] When a proposed political subdivision submits a petition requesting an election as part of the formation thereof, the petitioners shall submit together with the petition sufficient security to pay all costs of the election. If such proposition is successful, the political subdivision thereby created shall reimburse those persons advancing funds to pay the costs of the election.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the state shall, subject to appropriation, pay election costs for elections conducted under section 115.065.

