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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Work with the Legislative Youth Advisory Council To Establish a Program Regarding Educating Youth about Voting'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1 Secretary of State to provide informational voting literature. Resolved: That the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Legislative Youth Advisory Council, shall develop a program to produce youth civic education materials to be provided for public dissemination at branches of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles and at public high schools throughout the State. This material must include, but is not limited to, information explaining the age of eligibility for voter registration in the State, the registration process in the State and the age of eligibility to vote in the State. The Secretary of State shall submit to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over voting matters, by March 1, 2009, recommended legislation that would incorporate this program into the statutory duties required of the Secretary of State. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over voting matters may submit legislation to the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature that would incorporate this program into the statutory duties required of the Secretary of State.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Secretary of State to work with the Legislative Youth Advisory Council to develop a program that would distribute informational literature about voting to public high schools in the State and branches of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. It also requires the Secretary of State to submit recommended legislation by March 1, 2009 incorporating this program into the duties of the Secretary of State required by statute.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)