

**HB0016HS001**

1 Page 1-line 3 After "specified;" insert "authorizing a  
2 position; providing an appropriation;".  
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4 Page 2-after line 17 Insert and renumber as necessary:  
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6 **"Section 2.** The secretary of state's office is authorized  
7 one (1) full-time position for the purpose of implementing and  
8 administering this act. There is appropriated one hundred eighty-  
9 six thousand four hundred ninety-five dollars (\$186,495.00) from  
10 the general fund to the secretary of state's office for the salary  
11 and benefits of the position authorized by this section. This  
12 appropriation shall be for the period beginning July 1, 2026 and  
13 ending June 30, 2028. This appropriation shall not be transferred  
14 or expended for any other purpose. It is the intent of the  
15 legislature that this appropriation be included in the standard  
16 budget for the secretary of state's office for the immediately  
17 succeeding fiscal biennium. This section shall only be effective  
18 if no full-time positions for the secretary of state's office are  
19 authorized for the purpose of implementing and administering this  
20 act by House Bill 1 or Senate File 1 of the 2026 legislative budget  
21 session as enacted into law."  
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23 Page 2-line 19 Delete **"Section 2."** and insert **"Section 3."**  
24 KNAPP, CHAIRMAN