

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to elections; providing for assessment and payment of certain costs;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 211B.37.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 211B.37, is amended to read:

1.6 **211B.37 COSTS ASSESSED.**

1.7 Except as otherwise provided in section 211B.36, subdivision 3, the chief
1.8 administrative law judge shall assess the cost of considering complaints filed under section
1.9 211B.32 as provided in this section. Costs of complaints relating to a statewide ballot
1.10 question or an election for a statewide or legislative office must be assessed against the
1.11 appropriation from the general fund to the general account of the state elections campaign
1.12 fund in section 10A.31, subdivision 4. Costs of complaints relating to any other ballot
1.13 question or elective office must be assessed against the ~~county or counties in which the~~
1.14 ~~election is held~~ local jurisdiction where the election was the subject of the complaint.

1.15 Where the election is held in more than one ~~county~~ jurisdiction, the chief administrative
1.16 law judge shall apportion the assessment among the ~~counties~~ jurisdictions in proportion
1.17 to their respective populations within the election district to which the complaint relates
1.18 according to the most recent decennial federal census.