

Senate Executive Departments and Administration Committee

Ben Mickens 271-1403

SB 451, amending the title of the position of senior deputy secretary of state.

Hearing Date: January 14, 2026

Time Opened: 9:00 a.m.

Time Closed: 9:02 a.m.

Members of the Committee Present: Senators Pearl, Gannon and Reardon

Members of the Committee Absent : Senators Altschiller and McGough

Bill Analysis: This bill amends the title of the position of senior deputy secretary of state.

Sponsors:

Sen. Gray

Who supports the bill: Senator James Gray,

Who opposes the bill: None.

Who is neutral on the bill: None.

Summary of testimony presented in support:

Senator James Gray

- There is some confusion in the Secretary of State's office about its internal structure. What is the order of seniority? This adjustment clarifies the hierarchy and confirms seniority protocols.

Summary of testimony presented in opposition: None.

Neutral Information Presented: None.