

Department of Planning and Budget

2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB1580

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. **Patron** Thomas

3. **Committee** Passed both houses

4. **Title** Absentee ballot applications and procedures.

5. **Summary/Purpose:**

Eliminates the requirement for the signature of a witness on an application for an absentee ballot. If the applicant cannot sign the application, a person assisting the applicant must note that fact on the application and sign the application. The bill does not change the requirements that there must be a witness present at the time that the absentee voter marks and seals his absentee ballot and that the witness must sign the outside of the envelope containing the marked ballot.

6. **No Fiscal Impact**

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No

8. **Fiscal implications:** No

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Local boards of election and registrars

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No

11. **Other comments:** None

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