

## Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** SB986

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<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron** Rerras

**3. Committee**

**4. Title** Recounts involving punch card voting devices.

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Provides that a vote has been cast and should be counted if two or more corners of the chad are broken or separated from the card. Separation of only one corner of a chad would not be deemed a vote, nor would any depression, dimple, or other mark. If the voter has punched the selection for a candidate to the extent that two or more corners of the chad are separated and also has voted for another candidate for the same office, the partially punched chad shall be deemed a vote and the voter's ballot shall be deemed an overvote.

**6. No Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal implications:** Depending upon the outcome of any recount the locality or the petitioner may be required to pay the costs of the recount.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Counties, cities local boards of election and registrars

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** HB1705 is companion legislation.

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cc: Secretary of Administration

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