

Department of Planning and Budget 2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1773

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Dillard

3. Committee Privileges and Elections

4. Title Absentee ballot applications.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Provides for the submission of applications for absentee ballots to local registrars through the official website of the State Board of Elections. The online application will contain all the information of the standard application, except for the signature requirement, plus a field for the applicant's e-mail address. The State Board website will e-mail the application automatically to the appropriate local registrar and generate an e-mail confirmation of receipt of the application to the applicant.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: One time

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2005-06	\$20,000	0.00	General

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes

8. Fiscal implications:

The State Board of Elections (SBE) has indicated that they must implement this proposal upon passage, using the current Virginia Voter Registration System, then they estimate the development costs to be between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars from the general fund. However, if the effective date of implementation were delayed, and SBE could implement the provision in the Virginia Election and Registration System (VERIS) the one time development costs would be borne using nongeneral funds from the Commonwealth's Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: State Board of Elections and local registrars.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None

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