

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2642

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

2. Patron: Orrock

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections; Elections Subcommittee

4. Title: Elections; voter registration procedures and revisions; duties of the State Board of Elections with

5. Summary: Provides that the State Board shall conduct a match of the registered voter lists with the deceased persons lists of the Social Security Administration and makes it a Class 1 misdemeanor to assist individuals in completing or submitting a voter registration application or absentee voter application.

6. Fiscal impact is indeterminate.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: The State Board of Elections indicates that changes to the statewide voter registration system are needed to compare voter lists to Social Security Administration lists. Federal funds, allocated to Virginia under the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) can cover any costs to adjust voter system.

Anyone convicted of a Class 1 misdemeanor is subject to a sentence of up to 12 months in jail. There is not enough information available to reliably estimate how many additional inmates in jail could result from this proposal. Any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth pays the localities \$8.00 a day for each misdemeanant or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail. It also funds most of the jails' operating costs, e.g. correctional officers. The state's share of these costs on a per prisoner, per day basis varies from locality to locality. However, according to the Compensation Board's most recent Jail Cost Report (November 2008), the estimated total state support for local jails averaged \$28.77 per inmate, per day in FY 2007.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections, Local electoral boards, local law enforcement

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Administration