

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB506ER

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

2. Patron: Smith

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Political contributions; prohibition during procurement process

5. Summary: Provides that neither the Governor, his political action committee, nor any pertinent Secretaries shall knowingly solicit or accept a contribution, gift, or other item with a value greater than \$50 from any bidder, offeror, or private entity who has submitted a bid or proposal pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act, the Public-Private Transportation Act, or the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act during the bidding period. The restrictions only apply if the stated or expected value of the contract is \$5 million or more and do not apply to contracts awarded as the result of competitive sealed bidding. Furthermore, no bidder, offeror, or private entity who has submitted a bid or proposal under such acts shall offer or promise to make such a gift to the Governor, his political action committee, or any of his pertinent Secretaries. Any violation shall be a civil penalty of \$500 or up to two times the amount of the contribution or gift, whichever is greater.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Minimal

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: There is no fiscal impact to State Board of Elections. The Commonwealth's Attorney may incur some expenses as a result of their responsibility towards enforcing these prohibitions and collecting delinquent civil penalties.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections, Commonwealth's Attorney

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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