Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Numbe	r: SB60
	House of Orig	in <u>X</u> Introduced <u>Substitute</u> Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee Substitute Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Martin
3.	Committee:	Privileges and Elections
4.	Title:	Voter registration application; Class 1 misdemeanor for person who mails

- **5. Summary:** Makes it a Class 1 misdemeanor for a person who has agreed to mail or deliver a signed voter registration application to create or retain a copy of the application.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: There is no fiscal impact to State Board of Elections (SBE).
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

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8. Fiscal Implications: There is no fiscal impact to SBE; however, per the Virginia Sentencing Commission, 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 presently 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 2009), the estimated total state support for local jails averaged \$32.66 per inmate, per day in FY 2008.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections, Department of Corrections, Compensation Board

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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