

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB491

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Watkins

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Senate Districts; technical adjustment.

5. Summary: SB 491 changes district assignments of certain census blocks between Districts 9, 10, and 16 in the City of Richmond in order to reunite three split precincts. All districts remain within two percent deviation from the ideal district population.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No, see Item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8

8. Fiscal Implications: Staff at the State Board of Elections report that the typical bill making technical adjustments to a single district would have a cost up to \$5,000 for re-issuing voter registration cards. The agency reports it can absorb the cost with the existing allocation for redistricting costs. However, there are currently five House and Senate bills amending 15 districts with a cumulative effect of about \$75,000. If several of the bills become law, the agency indicates it would need a budget amendment to cover the costs.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections, local election districts.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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