

Department of Planning and Budget

2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1765

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

2. **Patron:** Bell, Robert B.

3. **Committee:** Passed both houses

4. **Title:** Disqualification of voters; felons; procedure.

5. **Summary:** Codifies the State Board of Elections current practice to check the monthly list of felony convictions received from the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE) against the registered voters maintained on the voter registration system and notify the appropriate general registrar of any voter who is disqualified to vote due to a felony conviction. The bill also requires that the CCRE provide annually a list of all persons convicted of a felony to the State Board and that the annual list shall be checked against the registered voters maintained on the voter registration system. The bill also provides that the general registrar, in determining the qualification of an applicant to register to vote, shall determine whether the applicant has ever been convicted of a felony, and if so, under what circumstances the applicant's right to vote has been restored.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final. See Item 8.

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2014	\$35,000	0	NGF

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The State Board of Elections (SBE) and Virginia State Police (VSP) indicate that implementation costs would be approximately \$35,000 and can be absorbed by SBE with the use of federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) dollars. The costs include developing a felony report and query tool within an existing VSP technological solution that could be accessed by local general registrars.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State Board of Elections, Virginia State Police, Localities,

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** n/a

11. **Other Comments:** None

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