

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB2000

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

2. **Patron:** Torian

3. **Committee:** Privileges and Elections

4. **Title:** Elections; voter registration; early registration for persons 16 years of age or older.

5. **Summary:** Allows persons who are otherwise qualified and 16 years of age or older to register to vote. The bill specifies that this early registration does not permit such a person to vote in any election occurring prior to his eighteenth birthday, except for those situations currently set out.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes – Item 83.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary – see Item 8.

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2015	\$0	0.00	-
2016	\$31,314	0.00	GF
2017	\$0	0.00	-
2018	\$0	0.00	-
2019	\$0	0.00	-
2020	\$0	0.00	-
2021	\$0	0.00	-

8. **Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of Elections (ELECT), implementing this legislation would require modifying the Virginia Election and Registration Information System (VERIS) to accept registrants at 16 years of age while adapting the pollbook to indicate ineligibility, similar to what must currently be done for 17-year olds in municipalities for May elections. ELECT estimates there will be one-time costs to modify VERIS (\$25,000); revise the voter registration application and update training and guidance documents (\$2,200); and print and distribute the application form (\$4,114).

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Elections and localities.

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. **Other Comments:** None.

c: Secretary of Administration