

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1463

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

2. Patron: Wagner

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Voter registration; electronic signatures.

5. Summary: Prohibits acceptance of an electronic signature on an application to register to vote unless the signature is verified as the signature on record with the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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	\$46,314	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, the agency would have to make several changes to the Virginia Election and Registration Information System (VERIS), which would include adding a signature verification feature. This modification is estimated to cost \$40,000. The legislation would also require changes to the voter registration application, web materials, and guidance documents at an estimated cost of \$2,200, and printing and distribution of new forms at an estimated cost of \$4,114. Funding for these changes are not currently built into the Department's approved contracts and projects; therefore, this legislation would require a budget amendment in the amount of \$46,314 in fiscal year 2016 only.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Elections and Department of Motor Vehicles.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

c: Secretary of Administration