

**Department of Planning and Budget**  
**2017 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1696

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Marshall, D.W.

**3. Committee:** Privileges and Elections

**4. Title:** Filling vacancies in the United States Senate.

**5. Summary:** Removes the language limiting the date at which a special election can be held to fill a vacancy occurring in the representation of the Commonwealth in the United States Senate. The bill also removes the authority of the Governor to make a temporary appointment to fill such a vacancy. The bill allows the Governor to immediately issue a writ to call an election upon receipt of written notification by a Senator or Senator-elect of his resignation and makes such resignation irrevocable after the date stated by him for his resignation or after the forty-fifth date before the date set for the special election.

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

**7. No Fiscal Impact**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The proposed legislation is not expected to have a state fiscal impact.

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

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.