Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	Number: SB1567						
	House of Orig	in 🖂	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed	
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled	
2.	Patron:	Peake						
3.	Committee: Privileges and Elections							
4.	Title:	Absentee voting; eligibility of persons age 65 or older; photo identification; requirement.						

- 5. Summary: Entitles a person who will be age 65 or older on the date of the election for which an absentee ballot is requested to vote absentee. Such person is required to submit with his application for an absentee ballot a copy of one of the forms of photo identification required for in-person voting. Students attending a school or institution of learning who are entitled to vote absentee are also required to submit with their application a copy of one of the forms of photo identification required for in-person voting.
- **6. Budget Amendment Necessary**: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary see Item 8.
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** As stand-alone legislation, the Department of Elections considers implementation of this bill as "routine," and does not require additional funding. The Department of Elections will review all electoral legislation likely to be enacted prior to the passage by each house. If the aggregate number of "routine" bills likely to pass either house is unusually large, it is possible that the Department of Elections will require additional resources. If so, the Department of Elections will identify the costs at that time.

Additional costs the agency may incur include updating instructions and guidance documents to include translation, and, if needed, changes to the Virginia Election and Registration Information System (VERIS), changes to web materials, printing and distribution of forms, additional support for staff to research Code sections and update forms impacted by the legislation, and training to assure officers of election and voters are aware of any changes.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia Department of Elections, State Board of Elections, local electoral boards, general registrars, and localities.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.