

## Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB62

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

**2. Patron:** Howell

**3. Committee:** Privileges and Elections

**4. Title:** Voter registration; procedures for applications and receipts.

- 5. Summary:** The engrossed bill provides that the state form for the application to register to vote shall contain a receipt that will be given to the applicant by any person accepting the application. The receipt states the name of the office or person accepting the application, the date accepted, and a phone number that the applicant may call to verify that he is registered. The requirements pertaining to the receipt are inapplicable when the applicant mails his application directly to a general registrar or the State Board of Elections.

**6. Fiscal impact estimates are final:**

**6a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2008	\$0	0	
2009	\$35,000	0	General
2010	\$35,000	0	General
2011	\$17,500	0	General
2012	\$17,500	0	General
2113	\$35,000	0	General
2014	\$17,500	0	General

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 89 HB/SB 30.

**8. Fiscal Implications:**

State Board of Elections would incur costs to reimburse 134 local general registrar offices, in addition to state agencies designated to distribute voter registration forms. The Department of Motor Vehicles would not be impacted by this bill, since it currently distributes receipts.

The above expenses are based on a total estimated distribution of one million voter registration forms during presidential (2008, 2012) and gubernatorial (2009) election years and a distribution of 500,000 during other years. The cost calculation is based on \$.035 per page, as estimated by the State Board of Elections.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State Board of Elections, local registrar offices and voter registration designated agencies (Department of Social Services, Department of Health, Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance

Abuse Services, Department of Rehabilitative Services, Department for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired, State-funded colleges and universities (disability offices), Virginia Employment Commission District 8, military recruitment offices)

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Administration