

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB832

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

2. **Patron:** Surovell

3. **Committee:** Privileges and Elections

4. **Title:** Elections; reports of absentee voting

5. **Summary:** Requires election results for the central absentee voter precinct to indicate the precinct of the absentee voter unless the reported total for any precinct within the central absentee precinct would disclose how any voter voted.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary estimates are as follows:

6a. Expenditure Impact:

| <i>Fiscal Year</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Positions</i> | <i>Fund</i> |
|--------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|
| 2011 | 50,000 | 0 | General |

7. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 79, HB30

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This bill requires additional reporting functions and therefore would require changes to the Election Results Reporting System maintained by Virginia Interactive, as well as the Virginia Election and Registration Information System (VERIS). Implementation may require changes to VERIS input screens and data tables. Additionally, there would be a fiscal impact to localities. The changes in ballot production and counting procedures required are likely to increase the cost of ballot materials, and time and manpower for processing and tallying absentee ballots on the local level.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State Board of Elections (SBE), local government

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

11. **Other Comments:** None

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