

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB538

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Martin

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Presidential primary; uncommitted option.

5. Summary: Allows a voter in a presidential primary to vote 'uncommitted' where such a vote indicates that the voter has no preference among the candidates on the ballot and does not want to commit delegates to vote for any particular candidate at the party's national convention.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None

8. Fiscal Implications: State Board of Elections (SBE) states that there may be some costs to the department and localities, such as educating voters on their availability of an "uncommitted" option on the ballot. SBE's research has not shown that a change to VERIS, Virginia's statewide voter registration system, would be required. SBE can absorb any costs associated with the bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: SBE and general registrar offices.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: N/A

Date: 1/26/2012