

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2014 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB670

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

**2. Patron:** Herring

**3. Committee:** Privileges and Elections

**4. Title:** Elections; absentee ballots; name and signature requirements.

**5. Summary:** Elections; absentee ballots; name and signature requirements. Provides that a voter's failure to provide his full middle name or his middle initial in the statement on the back of the return envelope shall not render that absentee ballot void or provide officers of election with a basis for rejection, unless the voter also failed to provide his full first name. The bill also provides that a signature that is reasonably similar to the voter's legal name is sufficient for purposes of casting an absentee ballot.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** None

**8. Fiscal Implications:** No State fiscal impact

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State Board of Elections, localities

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:**

**Date:** 1/10/14

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