

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2014 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB333H1

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

**2. Patron:** Ebbin

**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 and last names. 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:** No state fiscal impact.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The State Board of Elections (SBE) indicates that this bill should not have a fiscal impact on SBE or localities. The bill's amendment is technical in nature and did not affect the fiscal impact estimate.

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:**

**Date:** 2/24/14

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