

Department of Planning and Budget

2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB474

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Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Smith, R.K.

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Elections; method of nominating party candidates.

5. Summary: Removes the power of incumbent officeholders in some cases to insist on a primary as the method of nominating political party candidates and removes the power of General Assembly incumbents seeking reelection to determine the method of nomination. The bill leaves the power to determine the method of nominating party candidates to the duly constituted authorities of the political party.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No state fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: None. The State Board of Elections reports this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the agency or the Commonwealth. However, the bill is likely to lead to fewer political primaries being held. Since all primaries with the exception of presidential primaries are the financial responsibility of localities, the bill is likely to decrease the costs of holding primaries to localities.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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c: Secretary of Administration