

## Department of Planning and Budget

### 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB694

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed  
**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Torian

3. **Committee:** Privileges and Elections

4. **Title:** Elections; voter registration; early registration for persons 16 years of age or older.

5. **Summary:** Allows persons who are otherwise qualified and 16 years of age or older to register to vote. The bill specifies that this early registration does not permit such a person to vote in any election occurring prior to his eighteenth birthday, except for those situations currently set out.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes. Item 83 – Electoral Services.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2014	\$0	0.00	-
2015	\$33,200	0.00	GF
2016	\$6,000	0.00	GF
2017	\$6,000	0.00	GF
2018	\$6,000	0.00	GF
2019	\$6,000	0.00	GF
2020	\$6,000	0.00	GF

8. **Fiscal Implications:** According to the State Board of Elections (SBE), implementing House Bill 694 would require modifying the Virginia Election and Registration Information System (VERIS) to accept registrants at 16 years of age while adapting the pollbook to indicate ineligibility, similar to what must currently be done for 17-year olds in municipalities with May elections. The SBE estimates there will be one-time costs to modify VERIS (\$25,000) and revise the voter registration application and update training and guidance documents (\$2,200). There will also be an ongoing cost of \$6,000 for printing and distribution of the application form.

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

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** No.

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