

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1062

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: Obenshain

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Election administration; presidential elections; officers of election and ballot scanner machines.

5. Summary: Requires any precinct having more than 4,000 registered voters to have not less than five officers of election serving at a presidential election and requires the electoral board to appoint additional officers as may be needed to comply with this requirement. The bill also requires the governing body of a county or city that uses ballot scanner machines at elections to provide for any precinct having more than 4,000 registered voters not less than two such machines at a presidential election. Current law requires not less than three officers of election and at least one ballot scanner machine at each precinct.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary – see Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation should not have a material impact on the agency. Additional costs that may need to be absorbed by the agency may include updating instructions, guidance documents to include translation, if needed, changes to the voter registration system, changes to web materials, printing and distribution of forms, staff time for research of code sections and forms impacted by the legislation and possibly provide training to assure officers of election and voters are aware of any new requirements.

Although this bill is not expected to result in a fiscal impact at the state level, it is expected to have a fiscal impact for localities. The affected localities will likely be required to purchase additional equipment and pay for additional officers of election in order to meet the requirements of this bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Elections and localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

c: Secretary of Administration