

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2015 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1062-ER

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Obenshain

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**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, unless the governing body, in consultation with the general registrar and the electoral board, determines that a second scanner is not necessary at any such precinct on the basis of voter turnout and the average wait time for voters in previous presidential elections. 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:** Final – see Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The proposed legislation should not have a material fiscal impact on the Department of Elections. Additional costs that may be absorbed by the agency would include updating guidance documents, changes to web materials, 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 may result in a fiscal impact for localities. The affected localities may 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; general registrars; electoral boards; and localities.

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

**11. Other Comments:** This legislation is similar to House Bill 2062 (Sickles).

c: Secretary of Administration