

**Department of Planning and Budget
2016 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB456-ER

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

2. Patron: Murphy

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Absentee ballots; electronic transmission by general registrars.

5. Summary: Provides that when a voter who is eligible to request to receive certain absentee voting materials, including the absentee ballot, by electronic transmission so requests, the email address or fax number used by the general registrars to send such materials shall be the official email address or fax number of the office of the general registrar published on the website of the Department of Elections. The State Board of Elections may prescribe by regulation the format of the email address used for transmitting ballots to eligible voters. A general registrar may also use electronic transmission facilities provided by the Federal Voting Assistance Program. The bill does not provide for the return by electronic means of a voted absentee ballot.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: None.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is a companion to SB137 (Favola).