

Department of Planning and Budget 2021 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1455

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Ruff

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Absentee ballots; witness requirement; printed name and residence address.

5. Summary: Requires that a witness to a voter's absentee ballot provide, in addition to his signature, his printed name and residence address.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See Item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: As stand-alone legislation, the Department of Elections considers implementation of this bill as “routine,” and does not require additional funding. However, the agency will review all electoral legislation likely to be enacted prior to the passage by each house. If the aggregate number of “routine” bills likely to pass either house is unusually large, it is possible the agency will require additional resources. If so, the Department of Elections will identify the costs at that time.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Elections, State Board of Elections, General Registrars, and localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is a companion to HB 2028.

Date: 1/25/2021