Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB 2445 **Patron:** Scott, P.A.

Bill Title: Absentee voting in person; available beginning 14 days prior to election; hours of

operation.

Bill Summary: Limits the availability of absentee voting in person to beginning 14 days prior to any election. During these two weeks, the bill requires that absentee voting in person be available Monday through Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day. Under current law, absentee voting in person is available during regular business hours of the office of the general registrar beginning 45 days prior to any election with a requirement to be open a minimum of eight hours between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on the first and second Saturdays immediately preceding the election.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No Items Impacted: N/A

Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: There is no state fiscal impact as a result of the provisions of this bill.

Fiscal Analysis: There is no anticipated state fiscal impact as a result of the provisions of this bill. Any impact to localities including General Registrars will be an undetermined amount of savings as resources will be needed for a shorter period.

Other: Similar bills include HB1573, HB1574, HB1862, HB1652, HB2390 and SB856.