



**Department of Planning and Budget  
2026 General Assembly Session  
State Fiscal Impact Statement**

**General Fund Expenditure Impact:**

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>	<u>FY2031</u>
The Department of Elections	-	\$286,131	\$122,681	\$122,681	\$122,681	\$122,681
Virginia Department of Health	-	-	\$95,197	\$95,197	\$95,197	\$95,197
<b>TOTAL</b>	-	<b>\$286,131</b>	<b>\$217,878</b>	<b>\$217,878</b>	<b>\$217,878</b>	<b>\$217,878</b>

**Position Impact:**

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>	<u>FY2031</u>
The Department of Elections		1	1	1	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**Fiscal Analysis:** This bill will require the Department of Elections (ELECT) to modify its systems to receive information for list maintenance activities. The bill requires the Department, upon receiving any such list, to make an initial comparison of the information included on such list with the list of registered voters and determine the confidence score for any match. The bill has a delayed enactment of July 2027 or due course. January 2028 is the current anticipated go live date of the new state voter registration system. If the bill's required changes are needed for the Virginia Election and Registration Information System (VERIS) ELECT would incur significant costs to implement, currently its anticipated changes need to be made in the development of the new State Voter Registration System (SVRS). Systems would need to be altered to accept new data fields for voter matching and establish a specific matching points system. To make the changes required in the bill ELECT would bring in a Data Warehouse and BI Developer for 1920 hours at \$85.13 for a total cost of \$163,450 as this was not in the scope of the new SVRS. This will be a one-time cost.

This bill will also require the Department of Elections (ELECT) to modify how information from the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements Program (SAVE Program) operated by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is used to include uploading of information. The request for the bill does not require additional funding except for the prohibition on uploading lists of registered voters to the SAVE Program in bulk. The use of bulk uploads is an extremely valuable tool as ELECT can receive up to 2,000 SAVE verifications within one month. If ELECT is prohibited from using the bulk upload ELECT staff individually would have to key in documents for lookup. ELECT current staffing could not support this function and ELECT would need at a minimum one position at a fully loaded personnel cost of \$109,756 plus ancillary cost of \$12,925. This will be a continuing cost.

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The provisions of this legislation would have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Health (VDH). The provision of the bill amends the current data sharing agreement between VDH's Office of Vital Records and the Department of Elections to include additional data points. The lists are required to be transmitted on a weekly basis and would require the OVR to develop a new automated process to get DMV customer identifier numbers, and place of date and birth, from DMV for all decedents. VDH does not currently collect this information and would need to implement new processes and system integration to ensure proper delivery to DOE. As this information is not reported to VDH, they would require an additional position to implement these processes and system integrations and to manually search for such information to be transmitted. Cost estimates for this position, including salary and fringe, are \$95,197.

Virginia State Police (VSP) has stated that the cost to implement the necessary provisions will be an indeterminate one-time expense to the agency. The one-time cost takes into account the number of hours for development work and quality assurance. The provisions of the bill require the Virginia State Police to provide a monthly list of individuals whose final disposition was a felony conviction that was reported during the preceding month and a full list of all individuals convicted of a felony, annually. This Bill would require development work to the Computerized Criminal History system (CCH) batch file that is sent to the Department of Elections, both monthly and annually, to include additional data for driver's license number if available, and the code cite and description of the felony offense the individual was convicted of.

The Department of Motor Vehicles and Circuit Courts do not expect a fiscal impact due to the provisions of this bill.

**Other:** Funding was proposed through House amendments 77 #6h and 277 #1h for the Department of Elections and the Virginia Department of Health.