

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB301

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

2. Patron: DeSteph

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Campaign finance, required reports; extension of deadlines and appeal of fines.

5. Summary: The bill provides for an appeal process for any person or committee assessed a civil penalty under the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act of 2006. Upon petition, the State Board of Elections or the electoral board, as appropriate, may provide relief to the petitioner for good cause shown. Such relief may include forgiveness of all or a portion of an assessed civil penalty, the retroactive extension of a deadline, or other appropriate remedy.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See below.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary; see below.

8. Fiscal Implications: The substitute version of the proposed legislation may have a state fiscal impact, though the impact is indeterminate and would depend on the number of appeals heard by the State Board of Elections.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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