

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB489

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

2. Patron: Helmer

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Campaign advertisements; independent expenditures; electioneering communications; disclaimer.

5. Summary: Broadens the scope of disclaimer requirements for campaign advertisements to include electioneering communications, as defined in the bill, and messages advocating for the passage or defeat of a referendum. The bill also requires an advertisement that is an independent expenditure or expressly advocates for the passage or defeat of a referendum, to contain a disclaimer providing the names of the sponsor's three largest contributors or individuals representing a contributor that is not an individual.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary; no state fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation is not expected to have a state fiscal impact.

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: This bill is identical to the introduced version of SB 318.

Date: 1/20/2022