

Department of Planning and Budget

2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2321

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| House of Origin | <input type="checkbox"/> | Introduced | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Substitute | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Engrossed |
| Second House | <input type="checkbox"/> | In Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> | Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> | Enrolled |

2. Patron: Peace

3. Committee: Rules

4. Title: Commission on Gaming.

5. Summary: The engrossed bill creates the Commission on Gaming in the legislative branch to analyze the Commonwealth's existing gaming industry and proposals to expand gaming in Virginia. The engrossed bill has an expiration date of January 1, 2020.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes; but indeterminate at this time. See item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate.

8. Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact of the engrossed bill primarily involves the costs associated with compensation of members, the reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses to members, and staffing support to the Commission. The Senate of Virginia anticipates their portion of costs each year will be approximately \$4,800, while the House of Delegates costs are approximately \$6,000, and the Division of Legislative Services is \$9,240. These costs are based on 12 legislative members and 8 nonlegislative citizen members attending an assumed four meetings, the average number of meetings a commission of this nature usually involves. Alongside the Division of Legislative Services, the engrossed bill calls for the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to provide legal, research, policy analysis and other services as needed to the Commission. The agency states that the engrossed bill is not clear as to the amount of staff support that will be requested, particularly in terms of whether the agency will need to call on consultant services, which could drive their costs upward significantly.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Division of Legislative Services; The House of Delegates; The Senate of Virginia; The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.