

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB321

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input 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: Mark H. Levine

3. Committee: Communications, Technology and Innovation

4. Title: Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings; serious medical condition.

5. Summary: Adds to current provisions regarding meetings that a public body may conduct through electronic communication means a meeting for which on or before the day of a meeting a member of the public body holding the meeting notifies the chair of the public body that such member is unable to attend the meeting due to a serious medical condition of an immediate family member. The bill also clarifies that participation in an electronic meeting by a member of a public body due to an inability to attend because of a personal matter is limited each calendar year to either two meetings or 10 percent of the meetings held that calendar year, rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact is expected to state agencies.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council; The Division of Legislative Services; All public bodies or entities with a public record.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.