

## Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB43

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

**2. Patron:**    Ware

**3. Committee:** Committee Referral Pending

**4. Title:**    Retail marijuana stores; requirement for local referendum.

**5. Summary:** Provides that if an act of assembly is passed by the 2022 Session of the General Assembly that authorizes the operation of retail marijuana stores in the Commonwealth, such retail marijuana stores may be located only in localities that have approved the operation of retail marijuana stores through a referendum held in accordance with the provisions of the bill.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No. See Item 8.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The Department of Elections and the Department of Taxation report that this legislation does not have a fiscal impact on those agencies. The Department of Elections anticipates no costs from referenda that do not consider constitutional amendments. The Department of Taxation bases its estimates for tax revenue from marijuana sales on consumer demand rather than the number of open stores or localities they operate in.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Elections, Department of Taxation.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None