

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB508

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

2. Patron: Hamilton

3. Committee: Counties, Cities and Towns

4. Title: **Approval of annexation by referendum.**

5. Summary: Approval of annexation by referendum. Requires a city-initiated annexation to be approved by two-thirds of the voters in each of the affected localities.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2009	\$200,000		General

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, an amendment in Item 89 to fund advertising of referendum, required by law, is necessary.

8. Fiscal Implications: Placing the referendum on the ballot has a fiscal impact of \$200,000 on the State Board of Elections, which is a calculated estimate to pay for the newspaper ads, posters and brochures required by Code of Virginia, § 30-19.9. Print advertisements in major newspapers impact the expense most. The fiscal impact is based on costs for prior constitutional amendments.

While the expense for the State Board of Elections is approximately \$200,000 for the first constitutional amendment or statewide referendum on the ballot, the cost is \$66,000 for each additional item at same election

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Administration