Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB46				
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed		
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled		

- **2. Patron:** Ramadan
- 3. Committee: Finance
- **4. Title:** Constitutional amendment; real property tax exemption for spouses of soldiers killed in action.
- **5. Summary:** Constitutional amendment (voter referendum); property tax; exemption for surviving spouse of soldiers killed in action. Provides for a referendum at the November 4, 2014, election to approve or reject an amendment to allow the General Assembly to exempt from taxation the real property of the surviving spouse of a soldier killed in action.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 83 Electoral Services
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary, see Item 8
 - 7a. Expenditure Impact:

/a.	Expenditure impact.				
	Fiscal Year	Dollars	Positions	Fund	
	2015	\$131,158	0	GF	

- 8. Fiscal Implications: The State Board of Elections (SBE) indicates that under the terms of § 30-19.9, Code of Virginia, the State Board is required to run advertisements in state newspapers and prepare posters and pamphlets providing public notice about Constitutional amendments. The estimated one-time costs relating to one amendment is \$131,158. This amount is based on the costs from 2012 of advertising and printing the changes noted in the Constitutional amendments. This amount consists of approximately \$129,403 in newspaper advertising costs and \$1,755 for printing costs of pamphlets and posters.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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