

## Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB13

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

**2. Patron:**    Ware

**3. Committee:** Privileges and Elections

**4. Title:**    Primaries; reimbursement of cost to localities by proper political party committee.

**5. Summary:** Requires the proper political party committee to reimburse in full each county and city conducting a primary election at the direction of the Commonwealth. The bill also shifts payment of the costs of a presidential primary election from the Commonwealth to the proper political party committee.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary - see Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Item 468, N. of House Bill 29, 2016 Session, provides \$3.8 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2016 to reimburse the Department of Elections and localities for costs incurred for the presidential primary, as required in § 24.2-545 (F), Code of Virginia. The proposed legislation, if approved, would become effective July 1, 2016 and would not impact the funding provided for the presidential primary scheduled for March 1, 2016. Any potential savings as a result of this legislation would not occur until the next presidential primary, scheduled for March 3, 2020.

The projected savings to localities by requiring the proper political party committee to reimburse each county and city for primary expenses cannot be determined.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Elections and localities.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.