

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2280

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

2. Patron: Ward**3. Committee:** Privileges and Elections**4. Title:** Voter referendum; independent redistricting commission.

5. Summary: Provides for a statewide referendum on the question of whether the General Assembly should adopt a resolution to propose an amendment to the Constitution of Virginia that would establish an independent redistricting commission to create and propose redistricting plans for House of Delegates, Senate of Virginia, and congressional districts. The results would be advisory only and are intended only to demonstrate the preference of the citizens of the Commonwealth on the manner in which electoral districts are created. The referendum would be held at the November 2017 general election.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes – Item 86.**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary – see Item 8.**Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2017	\$0	0.00	-
2018	\$158,517	0.00	GF
2019	\$0	0.00	-
2020	\$0	0.00	-
2021	\$0	0.00	-
2022	\$0	0.00	-
2023	\$0	0.00	-

8. Fiscal Implications: Section 30-19.10, Code of Virginia, requires the State Board of Elections to run advertisements in state newspapers and prepare posters and pamphlets providing public notice about constitutional amendments. The estimated one-time cost relating to one amendment is \$158,517, which is based on the cost of advertising and printing proposed 2016 constitutional amendments. This amount consists of approximately \$135,873 in newspaper advertising costs and \$22,644 for printing of pamphlets and posters.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Elections, State Board of Elections, and localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: The fiscal impact statement has been revised based on the actual printing costs to advertise constitutional amendments proposed for the November 2016 general election.