

## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1320

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

**2. Patron:** Lashrecse D. Aird

**3. Committee:** Rules

**4. Title:** Demographic statements for bills; preparation by JLARC.

**5. Summary:** Permits, beginning October 1, 2020, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, the Minority Leader of the House of Delegates, the Majority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate to request that a demographic statement, defined in the bill as a statement that uses available data to outline the potential effects of a bill on specified demographic disparities within the Commonwealth, including a statement of whether the bill is likely to increase or decrease such disparities, to the extent that such data is available, be prepared by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission. Each requester may request the preparation of up to five demographic statements per regular session of the General Assembly. If a bill for which a demographic statement is prepared is introduced, the demographic statement shall be made available to the public.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:**

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2021	\$150,000	0	General Fund
2022	\$150,000	0	General Fund
2023	\$150,000	0	General Fund
2024	\$150,000	0	General Fund
2025	\$150,000	0	General Fund
2026	\$150,000	0	General Fund

**8. Fiscal Implications:** JLARC indicates the cost of this bill will be approximately \$150,000 per year. JLARC estimates a cost of \$15,000 per demographic statement, and an average of 10 demographic statements per year. Due to the short turnaround, JLARC staff anticipate using contracted staff rather than existing JLARC staff. The cost estimate is based on 150 hours per demographic statement, with hours split evenly among senior, mid-level, and junior contractor staff. The hourly rates for each level of staff were provided by a Virginia public university school of government and public policy, based on similar work conducted by staff at the school.

This estimate does not include JLARC staff time to develop a contract, develop procedures for conducting demographic statements, and review the contractor's work. These costs would be absorbed within JLARC's existing budget.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission

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

**11. Other Comments:**