

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2020 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB321

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Mark H. Levine

**3. Committee:** Communications, Technology and Innovation

**4. Title:** Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings; serious medical condition.

**5. Summary:** Adds to current provisions regarding meetings that a public body may conduct through electronic communication means a meeting for which on or before the day of a meeting a member of the public body holding the meeting notifies the chair of the public body that such member is unable to attend the meeting due to a serious medical condition of an immediate family member. The bill also clarifies that participation in an electronic meeting by a member of a public body due to an inability to attend because of a personal matter is limited each calendar year to either two meetings or 10 percent of the meetings held that calendar year, whichever is greater.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** None.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** No fiscal impact is expected to state agencies.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council; The Division of Legislative Services; All public bodies or entities with a public record.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.