

## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB451

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

**2. Patron:** Fowler

**3. Committee:** Committee referral pending

**4. Title:** Conduct of charitable gaming.

**5. Summary:** Removes restrictions regarding (i) the number of calendar days that charitable gaming may be conducted, (ii) the number of bingo sessions that may be played in any calendar day and the number of bingo games that may be played during each session, and (iii) the locations at which games may be played.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, to Item 105 of HB30/SB30.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item 8.

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2021	\$81,500	1 FTE	General Fund
2022	\$81,500	1 FTE	General Fund
2023	\$81,500	1 FTE	General Fund
2024	\$81,500	1 FTE	General Fund
2025	\$81,500	1 FTE	General Fund
2026	\$81,500	1 FTE	General Fund

**7b. Revenue Impact:** N/A

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill will allow charitable organizations to conduct an unlimited number of bingo games during the day and unlimited number of days an organization may conduct bingo games during the week. The bill also (i) removes the limits of 55 bingo games per bingo session and two bingo sessions per calendar day for a qualified organization; (ii) removes the restriction regarding where a qualified organization may hold bingo games; and (iii) removes the restrictions regarding the number of calendar days within a given week that bingo games may be conducted at buildings or other premises.

Currently, there are approximately 300 licensed bingo operators and approximately 10,300 registered charities in Virginia that could expand game offerings as a result of this bill. It is estimated that the inspection requirement for the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) will increase in order to adequately monitor the additional days of the week during which bingo can be conducted. To manage the increased workload, the

department estimates the need of one position at an annual cost for salary and fringes of \$75,000 with an additional \$6,500 to lease a vehicle.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

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

**11. Other Comments:** SB199 is the companion to this bill.