

## Commission on Local Government 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number: HB 656**

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

**2. Patron: Heretick**

**3. Committee: Committee Referral Pending**

**4. Title:** Solar energy projects; national standards.

**5. Summary:** Solar energy projects; national standards. Authorizes a locality to include in its zoning ordinance provisions to incorporate generally accepted national standards for the use of solar panels and battery technologies for solar photovoltaic (electric energy) projects. The bill contains an enactment clause that applies such generally accepted national standards to any such projects in the Commonwealth, notwithstanding any other provision of law, general or special.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Not Applicable

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2020			
2021			
2022			
2023			
2024			

**7b. Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2020		
2021		
2022		
2023		
2024		

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Per § 30-19.03 of the Code of Virginia, this bill does not meet the standard for the preparation of a Fiscal Impact Statement by the Commission on Local Government regarding fiscal impacts on local governments. However, this does **NOT** mean this bill does not have a fiscal impact. Additional review by other agencies and stakeholders may be necessary to ascertain the full extent of fiscal impacts resulting from this bill.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** No

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** N/A