

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB720

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

2. Patron: Reid

3. Committee: Committee Referral Pending

4. Title: Property Owners' Association Act; display of political signs.

5. Summary: Provides that, except as otherwise expressed in the declaration, no declaration or association's rules and regulations or architectural guidelines shall restrict or prohibit the display by a lot owner on his lot of a sign advocating for or against a candidate, referendum, or political organization. The bill provides, however, that an association may restrict the display of such signs (i) in the common areas or (ii) in accordance with federal or state law, and may establish reasonable restrictions as to the size, place, duration, and manner of placement or display of such signs, except that no restriction on the duration of the display of such signs shall be less than (a) 30 days before the primary election, general election, or vote on the proposition or (b) seven days after the primary election, general election, or vote on the proposition. The bill also requires the association disclosure packet to contain a statement of any restrictions on the size, place, duration, and manner of placement or display of such signs.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2020	0	0.0	n/a
2021	\$7,000	0.0	NGF
2022	0	0.0	n/a
2023	0	0.0	n/a
2024	0	0.0	n/a
2025	0	0.0	n/a
2026	0	0.0	n/a

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill affects the administrative and regulatory responsibilities of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) and the Common Interest Community Board (Board) by requiring property owners' associations to update their disclosure packets. This change would require the Board to update the form that accompanies disclosure packets pursuant to § 54.1-1809, Code of Virginia, as well as notify the associations and managers that amendments to their disclosure packets are required.

Expenditure Impact: In FY2021, a one-time expenditure of \$7,000 is anticipated for the letter preparation, printing, and postage for the mailings to approximately 7,000 existing associations and managers.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.