

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB182

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

2. Patron: Mark H. Levine

3. Committee: Rules

4. Title: General Assembly meetings; streaming and recording.

5. Summary: Requires the Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate to ensure that every (i) subcommittee or committee meeting of a standing committee of the General Assembly, regardless of meeting date, and (ii) floor session of the House of Delegates or the Senate, including any joint session of the houses, is streamed with closed captioning, recorded and archived. The bill defines "stream" and specifies that a qualifying meeting is one the date and time of which have been scheduled on a public website of any agency of the General Assembly for at least one hour prior to the meeting and that takes place in the State Capitol, the Pocahontas Building, or the General Assembly Building in Richmond. The bill has a delayed effective date of October 1, 2020.

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	\$454,000	0	General Fund
2022	\$138,000	0	General Fund
2023	\$138,000	0	General Fund
2024	\$138,000	0	General Fund
2025	\$138,000	0	General Fund
2026	\$138,000	0	General Fund

8. Fiscal Implications: The House of Delegates indicates this bill will require \$304,000 the first year and \$114,000 each year after. The estimated one-time expenses are approximately \$190,000 to install an encoder, camera(s), and cabling in each subcommittee room. The ongoing expenses for streaming are approximately \$52,000 per year and closed captioning expenses are approximately \$62,000 per year.

The Senate indicates this bill will require \$150,000 the first year and \$24,000 each year after for streaming and closed captioning.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The House of Delegates and The Senate

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: