

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1309

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Deeds

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Virginia Freedom of Information Act; allow local public bodies to hold virtual meetings.

5. Summary: Allows local public bodies, except for boards with the authority to deny, revoke, or suspend a professional or occupational license, to hold all-virtual public meetings in accordance with the other provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. The bill limits the requirement that public bodies do not convene all-virtual public meetings consecutively or more than twice per year to state public bodies.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No state fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill is not expected to have a state fiscal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All public bodies under the Freedom of Information Act

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None