Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1920 **Patron:** Ward
Bill Title: Charitable gaming; remuneration for bingo callers and bingo managers.

Bill Summary: Requires, with certain exceptions, remuneration of no more than $200 per session to be paid to bingo managers or callers who have a current registration certificate issued by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or who are exempt from such registration requirement. Current law permits but does not require such remuneration to be paid so long as it does not exceed $100 per session. The bill requires an exception for such remuneration to be paid at a rate not less than one and one-half times the normal remuneration rate when bingo managers or callers provide services on any day designated as a legal holiday. Lastly, the bill provides that by October 1, 2029, and annually thereafter, the Department shall adjust the maximum remuneration rate of $200 to reflect the rate of inflation from the previous date that such rate was established, as measured by the Consumer Price Index or other method of measuring the rate of inflation that the Department determines is reliable and generally accepted.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No. **Items Impacted:** N/A

Explanation: This bill involves the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS); however, no budget action is required. See Fiscal Analysis section below.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any fiscal impact this bill may have on VDACS can absorb within existing resources.

Fiscal Analysis: This impact statement is preliminary. It is anticipated that VDACS can absorb any costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

Other: None.