

Department of Planning and Budget
2025 General Assembly Session
State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: SB1219-E

Patron: Reeves

Bill Title: General Assembly; Legislator Compensation Commission established.

Bill Summary: Establishes the Legislator Compensation Commission, to be formed every four years for the purpose of reviewing the salaries, expense allowances, retirement benefits, and other emoluments received by members of the General Assembly and determining whether any adjustments to salaries or allowances are needed. The nine-member Commission shall be appointed as follows: two former members of the Senate of Virginia and two former members of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Joint Rules Committee, and five nonlegislative citizen members, with the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, the House Minority Leader, and the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders each appointing one such member. Any adjustments made to salaries, expense allowances, or other emoluments or benefits enacted in a budget bill based upon the recommendation of the Commission shall not be effective until January 1 of the year immediately following the general election for all members of the General Assembly.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes

Items Impacted: 1

Explanation: The House of Delegates and Senate of Virginia will incur costs associated with the travel expenses of the members on the Commission.

Fiscal Summary:

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>
GA	\$0	\$5,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,400
TOTAL	\$0	\$5,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,400

Fiscal Analysis: The fiscal impact of this bill primarily involves the costs associated with the meetings. It is estimated the nonlegislative member travel expenses will be \$3,000 every four years for the House of Delegates and \$2,400 every four years for the Senate of Virginia. It is standard that nonlegislative members are provided up to \$150 per meeting for travel reimbursements. This provides for the two former members of the House, two former members of the Senate, and five nonlegislative members attending four meetings per year.

Other: None