Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB1483E **Patron:** Boysko
Bill Title: Regulated hemp product retail facility registration; fee.

Bill Summary: Distinguishes in regulated hemp product retail facility registrations between primary and additional temporary event locations. Requires 14-day advance notice of temporary locations for retail sales of regulated hemp products and substances intended for human consumption that contain industrial hemp-derived cannabinoids and prohibits any substance containing tetrahydrocannabinol from being sold at such a location.

Budget Amendment Necessary: See Fiscal Analysis below. **Items Impacted:** 92

Explanation: It is anticipated that this bill will have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS); however, no budget action is required. The amount is indeterminate. The Cannabis Control Authority (CCA) does not anticipate any fiscal impact from this bill.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that this bill will have an indeterminate fiscal impact on VDACS.

Fiscal Analysis: VDACS anticipates needing additional inspection personnel and resources to enforce Virginia law at temporary events. If inspections of temporary events are expected, implementing the provisions of this bill could require additional staff, as newly allowed temporary events would require only 14 days' notice and occur during non-traditional business hours. It is not possible for VDACS to estimate the number of additional inspectors that may be required as the number of temporary events that may occur is unknown. VDACS indicates that is current program is not structured to manage such a process.

VDACS also anticipates the need for additional staff and resources to manage and track notifications for temporary event locations. This bill introduces a new process which requires the development of a system to monitor these locations, as they fall outside the existing registration framework. It is also anticipated that this new process may result in an increase in inquiries from customers and law enforcement.

VDACS anticipates that this bill may result in a reduction in the amount of registration application fees collected. By allowing a business owner to use a single registration to operate an unlimited number of temporary event locations, a business owner may not need multiple individual registrations. It is not possible to estimate the potential fiscal impact of this potential reduction in application fees, as the registration requirement became effective on November 15, 2024, making it impossible to assess its full financial implications.

CCA does not anticipate any costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

Other: None.