

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

have the expertise and perform these duties, the Permit By Rule timeline is significantly shorter than the existing certificate of convenience and necessity (CPCN) process at the Commission. Accordingly, the State Corporation Commission is identifying the potential need for two additional full-time employees (FTEs) to accommodate an increase in workload within the required timeline of DEQ's.

The SCC costs to implement the requirements in this bill will impact its Public Utility Fund (02080). The current rate cap authorization (58.1-2900) as approved by the General Assembly (GA) is not sufficient to generate the revenue needed for the Fund to cover the costs of this bill's requirements. However, bills HB2663 and SB1336 have been introduced in the 2025 GA session to adjust electric consumption rate caps to fund SCC existing expenses and potential new expenses from electric utility SCC oversight legislation passed during the 2025 GA Session. The costs associated with HB2426 can be absorbed from the revenue that would result from the passage of HB2663/SB1336.

Other: None.