

Fiscal Analysis: This bill will result in a proceeding to establish a distribution cost sharing program. The program shall require Dominion and Appalachian Power to spread the costs of all qualifying upgrades among all participating projects based on the AC nameplate capacity rating of each participating project. The program shall also require that the costs attributed to jurisdictional participating projects are recovered from jurisdictional customers and costs attributed to nonjurisdictional participating projects are recovered from nonjurisdictional customers.

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State Fiscal Impact Statement

At this time, the State Corporation Commission anticipates needing the services of a consultant to facilitate the creation of this program. Additionally, the use of a full-time employee in lieu of a consultant may be evaluated if the cumulative workload of this and other related bills were to pass.

The costs to the SCC 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, enrolled bills, HB2663 and SB1336, adjust the 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 HB2266 can be absorbed from the revenue that would result from the passage of HB2663/SB1336.

Other: None