



## Fiscal Impact Statement for Proposed Legislation

*Virginia State Corporation Commission*

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### House Bill 898

**Version:** Introduced

**Patron:** Herring

**Title:** Electric, gas, water, and wastewater utilities; disconnections for nonpayment; certain fees prohibited.

**Summary:** Amends a provision authorizing electric, gas, water, and wastewater utilities to recover costs related to compliance with disconnection suspensions for residential customers for nonpayment of bills or fees on certain days and during extreme temperatures to require such costs to be recovered through the utility's base rates for service. The bill also prohibits such utilities from charging disconnection or reconnection fees to restore service to residential customers disconnected due to the nonpayment of bills or fees.

**Effective Date(s):** July 1, 2026

**Amendment Necessary:** ☐ Budget, Item ###  
☐ Technical, see *Technical Note* below  
☒ None

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#### *Fiscal Summary*

The State Corporation Commission does not anticipate a fiscal impact.

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#### *Fiscal Analysis*

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##### **Revenue**

None.

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##### **Expenditures**

None.

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##### **Change in FTE**

None.

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##### **Other Comments**

None.

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##### **Technical Note**

None.