



Fiscal Impact Statement for Proposed Legislation

Virginia State Corporation Commission

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House Bill 898

Version: Introduced

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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

Fiscal Summary

The State Corporation Commission does not anticipate a fiscal impact.

Fiscal Analysis

Revenue

None.

Expenditures

None.

Change in FTE

None.

Other Comments

None.

Technical Note

None.