



Fiscal Impact Statement for Proposed Legislation

Virginia State Corporation Commission

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Senate Bill 516

Version: Introduced

Patron: Deeds

Title: Electric utilities; disconnection reports; State Corporation Commission database; annual summary.

Summary: Requires each investor-owned utility and electric cooperative operating in the Commonwealth to provide a monthly report on residential customer disconnections to the State Corporation Commission (the Commission). The monthly report is required to include specific information outlined in the bill, including the number of residential customers involuntarily disconnected due to nonpayment, the amount of time in which such customers were reconnected to service, the amounts of arrearages attributable to such disconnected customers and other residential customers, and information related to how many of the disconnected customers participate in a payment assistance program or have a serious medical condition certification form on file with the electric utility. The bill requires the Commission to publish the information from such monthly reports in a comprehensive and easily accessible online database. The bill also requires the Commission to submit an annual executive summary to the Governor and the Commission on Electric Utility Regulation on trends in electric utility disconnections based on the reports submitted by electric utilities, the first of which is due by September 1, 2026. This bill is a recommendation of the Commission on Electric Utility Regulation.

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. Please see "Technical Note" below.

Fiscal Analysis

Revenue

None.

Expenditures

None.

Change in FTE

None.

Other Comments

None.

Technical Note

The effective date of this bill, if enacted, is July 1, 2026, with the first annual report due on September 1, 2026. Due to the short timeframe between implementation and the reporting deadline, the initial report is expected to contain limited data and preliminary findings.