



Fiscal Impact Statement for Proposed Legislation

Virginia State Corporation Commission

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Senate Bill 650

Version: House Substitute 1

Patron: Marsden

Title: Public utilities; water and sewerage companies; discounted rates for low-income customers.

Summary as Passed: Provides that a public utility engaged in the business of furnishing water or sewerage facilities may propose and the State Corporation Commission may approve rates and tariff provisions that provide discounted service to customers with an annual household income equal to or less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level. The bill permits the utility to recover the costs of providing such discounted service through its rates for commercial and industrial customers. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2027, and is identical to HB 770.

Effective Date(s): January 1, 2027

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.