

**Department of Planning and Budget**  
**2026 General Assembly Session**  
**State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**ORIGINAL**

**Bill Number:** HB593ER

**Patron:** Simonds

**Bill Title:** Summons for unlawful detainer; additional information; legal resources; plain-language overview of process.

**Bill Summary:** This bill provides that any summons for an unlawful detainer issued may, with the approval of the chief judge of the general district court or the chief judge of the circuit court, include additional information attached, prepared by the Commonwealth, the locality in which such hearing is to be held, or a nonprofit organization serving the jurisdiction in which such hearing is to be held, regarding (i) legal resources available to the plaintiff and defendant, (ii) a plain-language overview of the unlawful detainer process, and (iii) the Eviction Diversion Program eligibility and applicability.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**Items Impacted:** None

**Explanation:** There is no anticipated fiscal impact from the bill.

**Fiscal Summary:** According to the Office of the Executive Secretary (OES) of the Supreme Court of Virginia, there is no anticipated fiscal impact from the bill on the agency.

**Fiscal Analysis:** Any unanticipated costs that may arise from the bill are expected to be absorbable with existing resources.

**Other:** None.