

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB2142

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. **Patron** Drake

3. **Committee** Passed Both Houses

4. **Title** Authority to recover civil penalties for certain violations

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill would authorize the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation and the Department of Health Professions to recover civil penalties for engaging in enumerated unlawful acts. The bill provides that the civil penalty shall be at least \$500 but no more than \$1,000, with each unlawful act constituting a separate violation; but in no event shall the civil penalties against any one person, partnership, corporation, or other entity exceed \$10,000.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Final. See Item 8.

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No

8. **Fiscal implications:** The fiscal impact on the Department of Health Professions is negligible because the department typically turns these cases over to the local Commonwealth's Attorney for action. There is no material impact on the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, since the Department believes these penalties would be paid into the Literary Fund in accordance with Section 19.2-353. The amount deposited into the Literary Fund cannot be determined.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of Health Professions, Commonwealth's Attorney

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No

11. **Other comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade
Secretary of Health and Human Resources

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