

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** SB 1076

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

2. **Patron** Maxwell, W.H.

3. **Committee** Education and Health

4. **Title** Duties and responsibility of local health departments in emergencies

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill would require the Board of Health to establish in regulations the duties and responsibilities of local health departments during emergencies. The regulations should include, but not be limited to, development of emergency management plans, resource availability, and management of special populations during emergencies. The regulations should also provide for local health department consultation and coordination with the Department of Emergency Management, and if applicable, the Coordinator for Emergency Management, in the development of emergency management plans and disaster preparedness.

6. **Fiscal impact estimates are tentative**

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2001-02	\$75,000	0.0	GF
2002-03	\$25,000	0.0	GF

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** Yes, Item # 308

8. **Fiscal implications:** The agency indicated that it would use contractual staff to develop the local health department emergency plans required by this legislation, including identification of resource requirements, emergency response protocols, etc. The market value of such a contract is estimated at \$75,000. An ongoing cost of up to \$25,000 is projected to meet the annual cost of updating the local health department plans, i.e. to incorporate and account for changes in local health department capacity to meet emergency situations, update applicable population/service data, etc.

It should be noted, that the agency did not treat this bill as an appropriate cooperative budget expense since it would be a statewide effort and difficult to assess each localities' portion of costs.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:**

Virginia Department of Health

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No

11. **Other comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources

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