

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** House Bill 1135

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

**2. Patron** Robert F. McDonnell

**3. Committee** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title** Child protective services; training and investigation procedures

**5. Summary/Purpose:** This bill requires the Department of Social Services Child Protective Services Unit to include standards of training regarding the legal duties of child protective services workers in order to protect the constitutional and statutory rights and safety of children and families from the initial time of contact during investigation through treatment. The current investigation procedures for school employees are made applicable to all individuals subject to a child abuse and neglect investigation. In addition, the local department is required to, at the initial time of contact with the person subject to a child abuse and neglect investigation, advise such person of the complaints or allegations made against the person, in a manner that is consistent with laws protecting the rights of the person making the report or complaint.

**6. No Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal implications:** None

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

Department of Social Services  
Local departments of social services

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources