

**Department of Planning and Budget
2004 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number House Bill 160

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron John S. Reid

3. Committee Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title Optometrists; grounds for revocation or suspension of license

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides an additional rationale for revocation or suspension of an optometrist's license or for reprimand of an optometrist, i.e., practicing optometry in any setting or location in which there is access to or from the practice through a common door or doorway between both the practice and a commercial or mercantile establishment.

6. No Fiscal Impact

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: The legislation could result in additional disciplinary cases for the Board of Optometry, but the department assumes that most licensees would comply and not be subject to investigation.

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