

Department of Planning and Budget
2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2253H1

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

2. Patron: Bell, R.

3. Committee: Health, Welfare, and Institutions.

4. Title: Statewide Emergency Medical Services Plan.

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill adds four new objectives to the Statewide Emergency Medical Services Plan developed by the Board of Health. These requirements include establishing and maintaining (i) a process for crisis intervention and peer support services for emergency medical services and public safety personnel, (ii) a statewide emergency medical services for children program, (iii) a statewide system of health and medical emergency response teams, and (iv) a program to improve dispatching of emergency medical services. The bill also deletes an obsolete cross-reference relating to automated external defibrillators.

6. Fiscal Impacts are: None.

7. Budget amendment necessary: None.

8. Fiscal implications: None.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: None.

10. Technical amendment necessary: None.

11. Other comments: The Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) and the State EMS Advisory Board are currently providing the programs and services that these four objectives identify. This language was requested by the EMS community and the Board. The proposed bill codifies current program and services, recognizes these activities, and validates the activities and resources currently earmarked for these programs.

SB 1146 is similar to HB 2253 and identical in terms of the fiscal impact comments for VDH's Office of Emergency Medical Services.

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources