

## Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB189EH1

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron**        Marshall, R. G.

3. **Committee**    Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. **Title**            Licensure of Abortion Clinics.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** Licensure of abortion clinics. Requires all proposed abortion clinics, defined as any facility, other than a hospital or an ambulatory surgery center, in which 25 or more first trimester abortions are performed in any 12-month period, to be licensed on and after July 1, 2006, and to comply with the licensure requirements currently in place for ambulatory surgical hospitals.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Preliminary.

**6a. Expenditure Impact:** The cost of the program would be approximately \$34,359 annually, assuming an average annual salary of \$50,000 for an inspector. The \$34,359 figure includes the salary and benefits (25% of salaries), as well as the equipment, communications, supplies, and travel costs for a .50 FTE.

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**6b. Revenue Impact:** Licensing Fees: Fund 0200, Revenue Source Code: 02153, \$34,359.

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**7. Budget amendment necessary:** Yes. Item 290. Health, Research, Planning and Coordination (40600).

**8. Fiscal implications:** Requires all abortion clinics to be licensed and to comply with the requirements currently in place for ambulatory surgery centers effective June 30, 2006. HB189H1 would also require onsite licensing inspections on a biennial basis and complaint investigations at abortion clinics. There are currently 20 known abortion clinics and physician offices providing abortion services in Virginia. There may be more providers; however, further study would be needed to arrive at a more precise number.

It is estimated that there would be an annual workload of 10 to 15 onsite inspections, complaint visits, as well as a significant workload related to responding to public inquiries and requests for information. Considering the amount of pre-inspection and post-inspection preparation time and statewide travel required, there would be a need for a .50 FTE in VDH to manage the new program. This is based upon the assumption that there are generally 46 working weeks available per staff member, and it takes a full working week to complete an onsite outpatient surgical hospital inspection and the related documentation.

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**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Virginia Department of Health.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** None.

**11. Other comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources