

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2007 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB 2520

**House of Origin** ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

**Second House** ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Sal R. Iaquinto

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Health records privacy; exceptions

**5. Summary/Purpose:** Legislation creates an exception to an individual's right of privacy in the content of his or her health records so that health care entities may disclose records to law-enforcement officers for the purpose of a search warrant or a grand jury subpoena; identifying or locating a suspect, fugitive, person required to register with the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry, material witness, or missing person, provided that only specific information may be disclosed; alerting law enforcement of the death if the health care entity has a suspicion that such death may have resulted from criminal conduct; and the health care entity believes in good faith that the information disclosed constitutes evidence of a crime that occurred on its premises.

**6. No Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** None.

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

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** No.

**Date:** 3/19/2007

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources