## State Corporation Commission 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	Bill Number: HB1512					
	House of Orig	n Introd	łuced	_ Substitute	Engrossed		
	<b>Second House</b>	In Co	mmittee	_ Substitute	X Enrolled		
2.	Patron:	Byron					
3.	Committee:	Passed Both Houses					
4.	Title:	Health care sharing ministries.					

- **5. Summary/Purpose:** Creates a new Chapter 63 in Title 38.2 to establish "health care sharing ministries." Section 38.2-6300 defines "health care sharing ministry" (ministry) as an arrangement among individuals of the same religion, which arrangement is administered by a non-profit organization granted federal income tax exemption pursuant to § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The definition also sets forth how the ministry will be administered (e.g. amounts members may contribute, written monthly statements, etc.). Section 38.2-6301 provides that the ministry is not to be considered engaging in the business of insurance and that the provisions of Title 38.2 are not applicable to the ministry.
- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** No Fiscal Impact on the State Corporation Commission
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No
- **8. Fiscal implications:** None on the State Corporation Commission
- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** State Corporation Commission Bureau of Insurance
- 10. Technical amendment necessary: No
- **11. Other comments:** The Bureau of Insurance offered the following comment to the patrons of House Bill 1512:
  - The Bureau advised the patrons that House Bill 1512 will apply only to health care cost sharing arrangements offered to residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia. If § 38.2-6300 were to be enacted, its provisions would be non-binding as to other jurisdictions on the issue of whether or not these arrangements constituted the business of insurance within that jurisdiction.

**Date:** 02/27/08/ V. Tompkins cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade

Secretary of Health and Human Resources