

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB603-H1

House of Origin ___ Introduced X Substitute ___ Engrossed

Second House ___ In Committee ___ Substitute ___ Enrolled

2. Patron: O'Bannon

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: **Disclosure of health insurance carrier's contractual arrangements with hospitals**

5. Summary: The legislation, as amended, requires the State Health Commissioner to negotiate and contract with a nonprofit organization for an annual survey of carriers offering private group health insurance policies and which are subject to Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) reporting, to determine the reimbursement that is paid for a minimum of 25 most frequently reported health care services, and to make the survey reports public through a website operated by the contracting organization. This bill also requires carriers to report the average reimbursement paid for a specific service from all providers and provider types.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: No.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Health and hospitals

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: Any expenditure related to the legislation can be absorbed by the Department of Health due to its existing contract with the nonprofit organization Virginia Health Information (VHI).

This is a companion to SB 396-S1.

Date: 2/15/2008 lrj

Document: BH603H1.doc

cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources