

Department of Planning and Budget

2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB 1768

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Dance

3. Committee Passed both houses

4. Title Certificate of Public Need

5. Summary/Purpose:

Current state law requires that, before being constructed or expanded, any hospital or similar medical care facility, receive a certificate of public need from the Board of Health. The proposed legislation would exempt any facility of the Department of Corrections from this requirement.

6. Fiscal Impact estimate: Final. See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: None.

8. Fiscal implications:

If the Department of Corrections were to construct a hospital or medical facility covered by the certificate of public need provisions, securing a certificate of public need could be time-consuming and expensive. It would be an unnecessary expense because the General Assembly would have, in effect, declared the need for the facility when it authorized its construction.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

Department of Corrections

10. Technical amendment necessary: None.

11. Other comments: None.

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