Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1154

 House of Origin
 Introduced
 Substitute
 Engrossed

 Second House
 X
 In Committee
 Substitute
 Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** McDougle
- 3. Committee: House Courts of Justice

4. Title: Copying costs of medical bills or charges

- **5. Summary:** The proposed legislation exempts patients, hospitals, ambulance services, nursing facilities, physician or other health care provider from any charges on requests for itemized listing of patient's account balance or charges. The engrossed bill allows for the health care provider to supply information on a patient's account, at no cost, for up to three times annually to either the patient or the patient's attorney.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See Line 8.
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- **8.** Fiscal Implications: UVA Medical Center could not provide an estimated impact as the bill is currently written. VCU Medical Center will have a loss in revenue which can be absorbed.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

University of Virginia Medical Center Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center Other health care providers

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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