

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1168

House of Origin	<u>X</u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Phillips

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Health professionals; instruction on pain management and addiction

5. Summary: This bill requires that education programs for physicians, nurses, and pharmacists include instruction in pain management and addiction.

6. Minimal Fiscal Impact

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: It is assumed that the impacted boards will absorb the costs (estimated at \$3,500 per board) of the rulemaking required to mandate the provisions of this bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:
Department of Health Professions

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: Neither the Boards of Medicine or Pharmacy currently approve educational programs. In Medicine, programs are accredited by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education; in Pharmacy, programs are accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education, and the Virginia boards do not control the curriculum in those programs. This bill will mandate that an approved school have instruction in pain management and addiction, a requirement that would have to be validated in the application process. Therefore, the department will have to maintain a list of eligible programs in order to screen the potential licensees.

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