

**Department of Planning and Budget
2010 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: SB 195

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron: Northam

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Physical therapy; advertising prohibited if not a licensed physical therapist or assistant

5. Summary: This legislation makes it unlawful for any person to advertise services using the words "physical therapy" or "physiotherapy" unless such services are provided by a licensed physical therapist or physical therapist assistant. All practitioner complaints will be referred to the applicable board within the department for disciplinary action. The legislation will not restrict or limit the legally authorized scope of practice of any profession licensed, certified, registered, permitted, or recognized under a multistate licensure privilege issued by any of the health regulatory boards within the Department of Health Professions prior to January 1, 2010.

6. No Fiscal Impact: Final

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: None

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to HB 153.

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