## Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB 2157		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** Iaquinto, Salvatore R.
- 3. Committee: Passed Both Houses
- 4. Title: Recognition of foreign adoptions
- **5. Summary:** The enrolled bill provides that in cases in which a child has been adopted pursuant to the laws of a foreign country and enters the United States with an IR-3 or IH-3 visa issued by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service, the adoptive parents are not required to readopt the child in Virginia. In addition, the adoption is recognized by the Commonwealth and the rights and obligations of the parties is determined as though the order of adoption was entered by a Virginia court. This bill also establishes a streamlined process whereby adoptive parents of children adopted pursuant to the laws of a foreign country and brought into the United States with an IR-3 or IH-3 visa may obtain a certificate of birth for the child.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. No Fiscal Impact
- 8. Fiscal Implications: None
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No
- **11. Other Comments:** None

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