

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB462

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

2. **Patron:** Byron

3. **Committee:** Courts of Justice

4. **Title:** Abortion; informed consent

5. **Summary:** Requires that, as a component of informed consent to an abortion, to determine gestation age, every pregnant female shall undergo ultrasound imaging and be given an opportunity to view the ultrasound image of her fetus prior to the abortion. The medical professional performing the ultrasound must obtain written certification from the woman that the opportunity was offered and whether the woman availed herself of the opportunity to see the ultrasound image or hear the fetal heartbeat. A copy of the ultrasound and the written certification shall be maintained in the woman's medical records at the facility where the abortion is to be performed.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item #8.

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2012	\$0	0.00	
2013	\$20,800	0.00	0100
2014	\$0	0.00	
2015	\$0	0.00	
2016	\$0	0.00	
2017	\$0	0.00	
2018	\$0	0.00	

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) distributes over 25,000 family planning guides annually. These guides are printed in both English and Spanish. New Virginia Guide to Family Planning, Genetics, and Social Services booklets would need to be produced to incorporate the requirements of this bill. The cost to print both English and Spanish versions would cost approximately \$19,000 annually. The annual distribution expenses for both versions are \$1,800. The initial start-up costs to print and distribute the guide would be \$20,800.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to HB261.

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c: Secretary of Health and Human Resources