Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB816						
	House of Origin	\boxtimes	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron: Lo	pez					
3.	Committee: General Laws						
4.	Title: Virginia Fair Housing Law; unlawful discriminatory housing practices.						
5.	Summary: Adds lawful source of income to the list on the basis of which it is unlawful to discriminate in fair housing practices. The bill defines lawful source of income as any income used by a person to pay for the purchase or lease of a dwelling, including (i) public assistance, (ii) any manner of gross income, (iii) federal supplemental security income benefits, (iv) child support, and (v) any federal, state, or local housing assistance, regardless of whether the funds are paid directly to the person or to a landlord or other third party for the benefit of the person. The bill also authorizes the governing body of any county, city, or town to enact an ordinance in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Fair Housing Law, provided such ordinance includes protections against discrimination that are at least as protective as those provided by the law. This bill also makes technical amendments.						
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.						
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: No state fiscal impact.						
8.	Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.						
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, localities.						
10.). Technical Amendment Necessary: No.						

11. Other Comments: None.