

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1278

House of Origin	X	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Davis

3. Committee: Commerce and Trade

4. Title: Unemployment compensation; employer responsibility for benefit charges.

5. Summary: Amends provisions in Virginia's unemployment compensation laws designating the employer responsible for benefit charges. Under current law, the last employer that employed a benefits-eligible individual for 30 days or 240 hours will be assessed benefit charges relating to such individual's benefit claim. The bill increases the amount of employment required before responsibility attaches to 60 days or 480 hours.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Virginia Employment Commission, the fiscal impact of this bill cannot be determined. Since the Commission does not currently track 60-day employers, it is difficult to forecast the number of claimants that may fall into this new category.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Virginia Employment Commission.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 01/21/2015

cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade