

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB 1561

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

**2. Patron:** Rust

**3. Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

**4. Title:** Hospitals are required to give notice to patients.

**5. Summary:** Requires hospitals to provide oral and written notice to any patient that has been placed in observation or outpatient status that he has been placed in such status if (i) the patient receives onsite services from the hospital and (ii) such onsite services include a hospital bed and meals that are provided in an area of the hospital other than the emergency department.

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

**7. No Fiscal Impact.**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill would not have any impact on the Commonwealth. It simply provides that the hospital shall provide notice to patients that have been placed in observation or outpatient status. The agency has indicated that this will not impact operations.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** HB 1509, SB 750, and SB 857 are companion bills.