

Department of Planning and Budget

2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1956

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

2. Patron: Orrock

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses.

4. Title: Board of Health shall develop a process to identify patients who are deaf or hard-of-hearing.

5. Summary: Requires the Board of Health to include in regulations governing hospitals a provision that each licensed hospital (i) develop a process for identifying patients who are deaf or hard-of-hearing and (ii) take steps to ensure that patients who are deaf or hard-of-hearing are able to effectively communicate with health care providers involved in their care.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: FINAL

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill as amended would not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. The Department of Health has stated that this bill would not impact operations.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.