

Department of Planning and Budget

2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2153

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| House of Origin | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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: Stolle

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Medically or ethically inappropriate cessation of care.

5. Summary: Provides that in cases in which a physician determines that medical care requested by a patient, his agent, or a person authorized to make decisions on the patient's behalf, an advance directive, or a Durable Do Not Resuscitate Order is medically or ethically inappropriate, the physician may cease to provide such care after making reasonable efforts for a 14-day period to transfer the patient to another physician who will provide the requested care.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact.

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

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.