

Department of Planning and Budget

2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB552

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: Watts

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Adult protective services; investigations.

5. Summary: Adult protective services; investigations. Requires local departments of social services and local law-enforcement agencies that initiate an investigation upon receipt of a valid report of suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an adult 60 years old or older or incapacitated in a custodial setting or by a licensed health care professional to convey to all appropriate licensing, regulatory, or legal authorities (i) the name of the facility, program, or individual and (ii) the final disposition of such investigations. The bill requires any licensing, regulatory, or legal authorities receiving such information to retain it on file with any other information associated with the facility, program, or individual and, upon receiving the final disposition, to discard the initial report. The bill exempts any information exchanged under these provisions from the disclosure requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Local Adult Protective Services staff can absorb any additional duties from this bill into their current workload. This bill has no fiscal impact on the Department of Social Services. This bill may have a fiscal impact on local law enforcement.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Social Services, Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services, local Departments of Social Services, local law enforcement

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: