

Department of Planning and Budget

2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2221

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Cline

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Joint Subcommittee to Evaluate Professional and Occupational Licensing Requirements.

5. Summary: The bill creates the Joint Subcommittee to Evaluate Professional and Occupational Licensing Requirements of the various regulatory boards within the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation. The bill sets out the membership of the Joint Subcommittee and enumerates its powers and duties. The bill also provides that to assist the Joint Subcommittee in carrying out its powers and duties, the General Assembly shall adopt a schedule for its timely review of the statutory and regulatory professional and occupational licensing requirements of the regulatory boards within the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation. The schedule adopted shall require that no less than 20 percent of such licensing requirements be reviewed annually. The bill states that the General Assembly may delegate this function to the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Items 1 and 6.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2017			
2018	\$226,040	2	General
2019	\$226,040	2	General
2020	\$226,040	2	General
2021	\$226,040	2	General
2022	\$226,040	2	General
2023	\$226,040	2	General

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), the Department oversees 18 regulatory boards and programs involving several hundred license types including licenses for architects, contractors, geologists, barbers, cosmetologists, etc. In regards to the General Assembly adopting a schedule for its timely review of the statutory and regulatory professional and occupational licensing requirements, the review of licensing requirements entails a review of education, experience, examination, continuing education, standards of practice, and equipment requirements. In addition, significant resources will have to be devoted to establishing procedures and performance measures to evaluate the effectiveness of licensing requirements as required by the bill. Given the number and diversity of license types and scope of review required by the bill, the Division of Legislative Services will need two full-time positions to implement HB 2221.

General Fund revenue cost:	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>
Two full-time positions:	\$200,000	\$200,000

The Senate of Virginia states that the Senate would incur costs of approximately \$11,160 for their subcommittee members based on 4 meetings per year for compensation and expenses, which is common for this type of legislative body. The House of Delegates estimates their impact for such activity at \$14,880.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; the Division of Legislative Services; The Senate of Virginia; The House of Delegates.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.