

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1230

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

2. Patron: Dunnavant, Siobhan S.

3. Committee: -

4. Title: Opiate prescriptions; electronic prescriptions

5. Summary: The amended legislation requires a prescription for any controlled substance containing an opiate to be issued as an electronic prescription and prohibits a pharmacist from dispensing a controlled substance that contains an opiate unless the prescription is issued as an electronic prescription, beginning July 1, 2020. The bill defines electronic prescription as a written prescription that is generated on an electronic application in accordance with federal regulations and transmitted to a pharmacy as an electronic data file.

The also bill requires the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to convene a work group of interested stakeholders, including the Medical Society of Virginia, the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association, the Virginia Dental Association, and the Virginia Association of Health Plans, to review actions necessary for the implementation of the bill's provisions and report on the work group's progress to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by November 1, 2017 and a final report to such Chairmen by November 1, 2018.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: It is expected that the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources can meet the provisions of this bill with existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:
Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: There are a number of other proposals that require deliverables from the OSHHR (i.e. studies and work groups). As this number grows, the likelihood that the Office can absorb such costs declines.

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