

Department of Planning and Budget

2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1461

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: McPike

3. Committee: Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title: Fostering Futures program; enrollment in the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance.

5. Summary: Directs local departments of social services to ensure that any individual participating in the Fostering Futures program is enrolled, unless the individual objects, in the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance, provided such individual (i) is eligible to receive health care services under the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance and (ii) was in foster care and enrolled in the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance on his 18th birthday. The bill requires local departments to provide all individuals participating in the Fostering Futures program basic information about health care services provided under the state plan for medical assistance services and inform such individuals that they will be enrolled in the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance unless they object. The bill defines "Fostering Futures program" and "individual participating in the Fostering Futures program." The bill requires the State Board of Social Services to promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of the bill.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation requires local departments of social services to ensure all participants in the Fostering Futures program are enrolled in Virginia's medical assistance program. It also defines the Fostering Futures program, an individual participating in the Fostering Futures program, and requires the State Board of Social Services promulgate these regulations. This bill has no fiscal impact, as enrolling participants in the medical assistance program is already current practice.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Social Services, local departments of social services, Department of Medical Assistance Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: