

Department of Planning and Budget

2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1436-ER

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

2. Patron: McClellan

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect; prenatal substance exposure.

5. Summary: Requires any health care provider in a licensed hospital who reports suspected child abuse or neglect resulting from prenatal substance exposure to develop a written discharge plan under protocols established by the hospital pursuant to subdivision B 6 of §32.1-127. The bill provides that such reports shall not constitute a per se finding of child abuse or neglect.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation does not have a fiscal impact, as it only clarifies that reports do not constitute a per se finding of child abuse and duplicates responsibilities also set out in § 32.1-127 and § 63.2-1506, Code of Virginia.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.