

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB6

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron: Bourne

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Virginia Fair Housing Law; unlawful discriminatory housing practices.

5. Summary: Adds discrimination on the basis of a person's source of income to the list of unlawful discriminatory housing practices. The bill defines "source of income" as any source that lawfully provides funds to or on behalf of a renter or buyer of housing, including any assistance, benefit, or subsidy program, whether such program is administered by a governmental or nongovernmental entity. Provides that nothing in this chapter shall prohibit an owner or an owner's managing agent from denying or limiting the rental or occupancy of a rental dwelling unit to a person because of such person's source of funds, provided that such owner does not own more than four rental dwelling units in the Commonwealth at the time of the alleged discriminatory housing practice. However, if an owner, whether individually or through a business entity, owns more than a 10 percent interest in more than four rental dwelling units in the Commonwealth at the time of the alleged discriminatory housing practice, this exemption shall not apply. The bill contains technical amendments.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes; Item 61, HB/SB 30.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item 8.

7a. Expenditure Impact: Attorney General and Department of Law

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2020	0	0	n/a
2021	\$370,856	3.0	GF
2022	\$370,856	3.0	GF
2023	\$370,856	3.0	GF
2024	\$370,856	3.0	GF
2025	\$370,856	3.0	GF
2026	\$370,856	3.0	GF

8. Fiscal Implications: The Attorney General and Department of Law indicates this bill will expand duties of the Division of Human Rights requiring an additional attorney, paralegal, and administrative staff. Several similar bills require additional resources for the Division of Human Rights, if these similar bills pass no additional resources will be required above those listed in this impact statement.

It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; Attorney General and Department of Law.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.