

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB806-H1

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

2. Patron: Delaney

3. Committee: Appropriations

4. Title: Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund; uncompensated medical costs; victims of sexual assault.

5. Summary: Adds to those persons invited to participate in the annual meeting of the group led by the attorney for the Commonwealth to coordinate the multidisciplinary response to criminal sexual assault in each political subdivision (i) local health department district directors; (ii) the administrator of each licensed hospital within the jurisdiction; (iii) the director of each health safety net clinic within the jurisdiction; and (iv) any other local health care providers, or their designees, and authorizes attorneys for the Commonwealth to conduct the sexual assault response team annual meetings using other methods, such as electronic communication means, to encourage attendance. The bill also directs the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to establish a work group to evaluate the feasibility of moving responsibility for the Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) Payment program from the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission to the Department of Medical Assistance Services and to provide recommendations related to increasing the reimbursement rates for physical evidence recovery kit examinations to cover the actual cost of such examinations and including reimbursement of costs associated with preparing for and participating in a criminal trial related to the sexual assault when a sexual assault forensic nurse is subpoenaed to participate in such trial as a cost that is reimbursable through the SAFE program. The work group shall report its findings and conclusions to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations, and the Joint Commission on Health Care by September 1, 2020. This legislation is approved by the Joint Commission on Health Care.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: None.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, Department of Medical Assistance Services, Secretary of Health and Human Resources, Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, Attorney General and Department of Law, Department of Criminal Justice Services, Department of Planning and Budget, Supreme Court, and localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB 949-S1 (Lucas).