

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB61

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: Marsden

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Custody and visitation arrangements; use of cannabidiol oil or THC-A oil by foster parent, etc.

5. Summary: Provides that the use of cannabidiol oil or THC-A oil by a parent in a custody or visitation case shall not serve as the sole basis for the denial or restriction of custody or visitation, if such parent has a written certification by a practitioner attesting to the benefit of such use. The bill further provides that such use by a foster parent shall not be the sole reason a child is removed from a foster parent and that such use by a prospective foster parent shall not be the sole reason to deny such prospective foster parent eligibility to become a foster parent. The bill also provides that such use by a petitioner for adoption shall not be the sole reason for the denial of a final order of adoption by a circuit court.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation does not change the current foster care or adoptions operational practices and has no fiscal impact for the Virginia Department of Social Services or local departments of social services.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.