

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1289

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

2. Patron: Head

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Board of Housing and Community Development; exemption for certain use and occupancy classification.

5. Summary: Directs the Board of Housing and Community Development to consider, during the next code development cycle, revising the Uniform Statewide Building Code (§ 36-97 et seq. of the Code of Virginia) to provide an exemption from any requirements in the energy efficiency standards established pursuant to 13VAC5-63-264 of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and the 2018 Virginia Energy Conservation Code, and any subsequent amendments to the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and the 2018 Virginia Energy Conservation Code, for the following use and occupancy classifications pursuant to Chapter 3 of the 2018 Virginia Construction Code: (i) Section 306, Factory Group F; (ii) Section 311, Storage Group S; and (iii) Section 312, Utility and Miscellaneous Group U.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No. See item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill will require updates to the Uniform Statewide Building Code including the adoption of optional exemptions from the energy efficiency standards. HB30/SB30, as introduced, includes funding for three additional full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in the State Building Code Office at the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the biennium to provide support for current operations of the office (including the code academy and the BHCD process), and address the increases in demand for staff time related to the Governor's and General Assembly's priorities for the building code. With the funding provided in the introduced budget, DHCD does not anticipate the need for additional staff or resources to administer the provisions of this bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Housing and Community Development.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.