Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB659		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Hope
- 3. Committee: Health, Welfare, and Institutions
- **4. Title:** Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to establish a work group.
- **5. Summary:** Directs the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to establish a work group, which shall include representatives of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, the disAbilty Law Center of Virginia, providers of behavioral health services, and other appropriate stakeholders, to study and make recommendations regarding appropriate investigations, including recommendations regarding when autopsies may be appropriate, of the deaths of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities who are residents of the Commonwealth and who die while receiving services from a program licensed by the Department. The work group shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by November 1, 2022.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Department of Criminal Justice Services, Department of Social Services, Virginia Department of Health.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.