

## Department of Planning and Budget

### 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB970

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

**2. Patron:** Mason

**3. Committee:** Passed both Houses.

**4. Title:** Department of Health Professions; applications for licensure, certification, etc.

**5. Summary:** Directs the Department of Health Professions to amend its licensure, certification, and registration applications to remove any existing questions pertaining to mental health conditions and impairment and include the following questions: (i) Do you have any reason to believe that you would pose a risk to the safety or well-being of your patients or clients?; and (ii) Are you able to perform the essential functions of a practitioner in your area of practice with or without reasonable accommodation? The bill contains an emergency clause.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. No Fiscal Impact.**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The provisions of this legislation would not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Health Professions or the Commonwealth.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** HB1573, introduced by Delegate Walker, is a companion bill.