

Virginia Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2032

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Hamilton

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Expands the definition of the nature of Long-Term Care Services

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill expands the definition of the nature of long-term care services under the Virginia Department for the Aging (VDA) by defining that such services include but are not limited to:

1. A balanced range of health, social and supportive services;
2. Meaningful choice, increased functional ability, and affordability as determining factors in defining long-term care service needs;
3. Service delivery, consistent with the needs and preference of individuals requiring such services;
4. Opportunities for self-care and independent living.

The bill also defines under the long-term care system three additional services, which are educational, housing, and transportation.

6. No Fiscal Impact

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The bill broadens the nature of long-term care services and defines three additional services. VDA and other state agencies currently have funding to provide some of the services, such as education, health care services, nutrition, socialization, supportive services and transportation, but not all of the ones as further defined by the bill. If the intent of the bill is for the additional services to be provided then additional funding will be necessary to fulfill that intent. However, the bill only defines the nature of long-term care services and does not require VDA to specifically provide them. Therefore, the bill has no immediate fiscal impact to the extent that it only defines the context of long-term care services as provided or coordinated through the role of VDA.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department for the Aging

10. Technical amendment necessary: None.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources