

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1468

House of Origin	<u> X </u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Athey

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Authority to receive laboratory results directly

5. Summary: Creates an exception to the requirement that laboratories release records of results directly to patients for cases in which a treating physician or clinical psychologist determines that release to the patient would be reasonably likely to endanger the life or physical safety of the patient or another person or cause substantial harm to another person. This bill also creates an appeal process for persons who have been denied the records based on the recommendations of a treating physician or clinical psychologist.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: No.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Health and Department of Health Professions

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: No.

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources