

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB192

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

2. Patron: Lewis

3. Committee: Health, Education and Welfare

4. Title: State facilities; reporting requirements of critical incidents involving consumers.

5. Summary: State facilities; reporting of critical incidents involving consumers. Requires the director of each state hospital or training center to notify the next of kin or personal representative of any consumer who is involved in a critical incident.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill codifies an existing state facility work practice. §37.2-709, Code of Virginia, currently requires notification to the Director of the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy (VOPA) within 48 hours of critical incidents or deaths of consumers in state facilities. In an agreement with VOPA, state facilities notify VOPA on any incident that requires medical attention. In practice, patient Authorized Representatives (ARs) are also notified. Assuming that the definition of “critical incident” is not expanded from the current practice to include other types of incidents, the bill would not have a fiscal impact. Any significant expansion of the list of “critical incidents” would require additional resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

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Cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources