

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2014 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB 191

<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:** Minchew, J. Randall

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Physician assistant; expert witness testimony

**5. Summary:** The enrolled bill allows a properly qualified physician assistant to testify as an expert witness in a court of law on certain matters within the scope of his activities as authorized under Virginia law, except in any medical malpractice action for or against (i) a defendant doctor of medicine or osteopathic medicine regarding the standard of care or (ii) a defendant health care provider regarding causation. The bill also adds "treatment" and "treatment plan" to those matters about which a chiropractor may testify as an expert witness.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. No Fiscal Impact**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** This bill is identical to SB 185.

**Date:** 3/6/14