

## Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB2104

<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:** Peace

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Virginia Freedom of Information Act

**5. Summary:** The proposed legislation provides that the record and open meeting exemptions for the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Health System Authority shall also apply when the records are in the possession of VCU or the discussion of certain matters occur at a meeting of the Virginia Commonwealth University Board of Visitors.

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

**7. No Fiscal Impact:** Final. See Line 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Currently, the Code of Virginia protects certain proprietary documents of the VCU Health System Authority. This exemption has been in place for several years. The language does not, however, clarify that such records may be similarly exempted when in the possession of Virginia Commonwealth University.

Given the administrative ties between the two entities within the university, documents are necessarily transferred and, therefore, it is important that similar protections be extended across the enterprise. A similar rationale applies to meetings of the VCU Board of Visitors where such documents or matters are discussed.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:**

Virginia Commonwealth University  
Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.