

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1423

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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: Barker, George L.

3. Committee: Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title: Foster care; placement of children, local board shall conduct a search of Putative Father Registry

5. Summary: The proposed legislation requires local departments of social services to conduct a search of the Putative Father Registry for each child placed in the custody of the local board, to determine whether any man has registered as a putative father of the child and, if a man has registered, whether placement of the child with the putative father is in the best interests of the child.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Minimal Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: Currently, the Department of Social Services conducts Putative Father Registry searches for a multitude of requestors including local departments, private adoption agencies, in and out of state attorneys, birth mothers, etc. These requests are mostly to fulfill the adoption requirement in the Code of Virginia to perform due diligence in locating the birth parents before a legal adoption order can be completed. The department estimates that the additional requests and searches required as a result of this legislation would have a minimal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:
Department of Social Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/30/15