

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB802

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: James

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Veterinary technicians; supervision; reporting of animal cruelty.

5. Summary: Clarifies the licensing requirements for a veterinarian in charge of a licensed veterinary technician by specifying that the supervising veterinarian shall be licensed in the Commonwealth or shall be employed by the Commonwealth or the United States while engaged in the performance of his official duties. The bill also removes the current prohibition on non-salary compensation of the veterinary technician for the performance of supervised acts relating to the treatment of an animal and expands, from a veterinarian to any person regulated by the Board of Veterinary Medicine, the category of persons granted immunity from civil or criminal liability or administrative sanction for reporting suspected animal cruelty.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. The bill clarifies licensing requirement, allows for non-salary compensation, and expands the category of those that receive civil and criminal liability. These provisions do not impact agency operations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.