

Department of Planning and Budget

2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB551ER

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

2. Patron: Cosgrove

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Physician assistants.

5. Summary: Provides that it is unlawful for a person to use in connection with his name the words or letters "Physician Assistant" or "PA" unless he is a licensed physician assistant. The bill requires a physician assistant to enter into a written or electronic practice agreement with at least one supervising physician or podiatrist, to maintain evidence of such agreement, and to provide it to the Board upon request. The bill contains technical amendments.

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 updates regulations related to physician assistants and would not impact agency operations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.