

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB 1467

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Greason

3. **Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. **Title:** Board of Health to adopt regulations to include neonatal abstinence syndrome as reportable disease.

5. **Summary:** Requires the Board of Health to adopt regulations to include neonatal abstinence syndrome on the list of diseases that shall be required to be reported.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:**

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2018	52,000	0	General
2019	16,000	0	General
2020	16,000	0	General
2021	16,000	0	General
2022	16,000	0	General

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This bill would have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth to include neonatal abstinence syndrome on the reportable disease list. The web-based portal currently used to capture this information will need to be upgraded in order to include neonatal abstinence syndrome. The agency will need to contract for temporary IT services during the first year at a cost estimated at \$36,000 to update the web-based portal, and \$16,000 annually for server support.

The bill directs the Board of Health to include neonatal abstinence syndrome as a reportable condition, however the agency believes that adding a condition to the reportable disease list would also necessitate taking additional public health actions beyond the requirements of this bill. To undertake these additional actions, the agency indicates that it would need an additional \$128,500 annually and two positions that would be used to establish a program that would analyze and produce reports, manage the data, and coordinate care and prevention activities related to neonatal abstinence syndrome.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.