

## Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1922 - ER

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Bell, Robert B.

**3. Committee:** Passed both houses

**4. Title:** Financial exploitation of adults; reporting to local law enforcement and State Police.

**5. Summary:** This bill clarifies the existing law related to the abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adults adopted by the 2016 Session of the General Assembly. The bill substitute requires the local department or the adult protective services to refer all incidents of financial exploitation to local law enforcement. The bill also contains technical changes.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No. See Item 8

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of Social Services (DSS), there were 5,118 Adult Protective Services (APS) Reports and 1,009 APS calls with no report through the State Hotline in calendar year 2016. In calendar year 2015, there were 18,203 APS Reports through local hotlines; data was not readily available for calendar year 2016. Under the proposed language, it is unclear how many additional cases will be referred to local law enforcement agencies from the Department for investigation. Therefore, the potential impact on the DSS and on local law enforcement cannot be determined.

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

Department of Social Services, Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, and local law enforcement agencies

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None