

Department of Planning and Budget

2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2002

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: Poindexter

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Department of Social Services; refugee and immigrant resettlements; report.

5. Summary: Requires nonprofit resettlement agencies and their local affiliates that provide refugee or other immigrant resettlement services in the Commonwealth to annually report to the Department of Social Services (the Department) nonidentifying information regarding (i) the total number of individuals resettled in Virginia by such nonprofit resettlement agency or affiliate; (ii) the locality in which each individual was placed; (iii) the age, gender, and national origin of each individual; and (iv) whether each individual was placed through the U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program and, if so, the eligibility status of such individuals. The bill requires the Department to collate and annually submit such information to the Governor and the General Assembly.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation proposes a requirement that non-profit refugee resettlement agencies, and all local affiliates providing refugee or resettlement services, submit information to the Department of Social Services for the production of an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly. Agencies under contract with the Department's Office of Newcomer Services (ONS) are already required to provide this information. This legislation will provide legislative authority for the Department to collect this information from agencies not under contract. Any additional administrative costs would be minimal and could be absorbed within the current appropriation.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: