Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB 2161
	House of Origin	☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
	Second House	☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Pillion, Todd E.
3.	Committee:	-
1.	Title:	Opioids; workgroup to establish guidelines for prescribing

5. Summary: The amended legislation requires the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to convene a workgroup that shall include representatives of the Departments of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, Health, and Health Professions as well as representatives of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and each of the Commonwealth's medical schools, dental schools, schools of pharmacy, physician assistant education programs, and nursing education programs to develop educational standards and curricula for training health care providers, including physicians, dentists, optometrists, pharmacists, physician assistants, and nurses, in the safe and appropriate use of opioids to treat pain while minimizing the risk of addiction and substance abuse. The workgroup shall report its progress and the outcomes of its activities to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2017. The bill, as amended, contains an emergency clause such that its provisions are in effect from its passage.

- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. No Fiscal Impact
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** It is expected that the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources can meet the provisions of this bill with existing resources.
- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:**Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No
- **11. Other Comments:** There are a number of other proposals that require deliverables from the OSHHR (i.e. studies and work groups). As this number grows, the likelihood that the Office can absorb such costs declines.

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