Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB178
	House of Origin
	Second House
2.	Patron: Bell, Richard P.
3.	Committee: General Laws
4.	Title: Virginia Fair Housing Law; exemptions.
5.	Summary: Provides that it shall not be unlawful under the Virginia Fair Housing Law for any owner to deny or limit the rental of housing to persons whose payment of rent for such housing is contingent upon the owner's acceptance of a contract authorizing payment of such rent by an entity or individual other than the lessee.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See Item 8.
8.	Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact of this bill on the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) is indeterminate. The Virginia Fair Housing Office within DPOR investigates complaints involving the Virginia Fair Housing Law and receives grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Virginia's substantial equivalency status and associated federal grant funding is based on conformity between Virginia Fair Housing Law and federal requirements. The effect of this bill on the substantial equivalency status and related grant funding is unknown.
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.
10.	. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.