

Department of Planning and Budget

2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2050

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: McGuire

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Certificate of public need; exception.

5. Summary: Directs the State Health Commissioner to accept, review, and issue a certificate of public need for the establishment of and related equipment for a freestanding diagnostic imaging center located in Planning District 15 that will provide diagnostic imaging services using magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and computed tomographic (CT) scanning on an outpatient basis.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See item #8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate, see item #8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact this bill would have on the commonwealth cannot be determined. While it is assumed that COPN legislation may have fiscal implications for the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), as one of the largest purchasers of health care services in Virginia, there is insufficient data to provide a definitive estimate of the cost impact of the proposed legislation. Under any scenario, it is unlikely that any COPN change would have a direct fiscal impact in the 2018-2020 biennium due to the time needed for implementation and the delayed recognition of costs in Medicaid payment rates. Any significant costs are not likely to occur until after 2022 and, even then, such costs would be difficult to estimate based on the unknowns associated with multiple COPN process and coverage changes and the rapidly evolving nature of the healthcare system.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.