

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2208

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: Brewer

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Adoption by relative.

5. Summary: Expands the applicability of adoption procedures for a child's close relatives to all of the child's adult relatives, including blood relatives whether of the whole or half blood, stepparents, stepbrothers, or stepsisters.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation is consistent with the Virginia Children's Service Practice Model and expands the applicability of adoption procedures for a child's close relatives to all of the child's adult relatives, including blood relatives and step-relatives. This bill only requires a minor update to adoption guidance and minimal staff training at local departments of social services.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Social Services, local departments of social services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.