

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1197

**House of Origin**     Introduced       Substitute       Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute       Enrolled

**2. Patron:**      Dance

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:**      Pharmacies; freedom of choice.

**5. Summary:** Requires carriers that provide exclusive provider policies and contracts to allow consumers freedom of choice for pharmacy benefits. This requirement currently applies to health insurers, health services plans, and health maintenance organizations in Virginia.

**6. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** No fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None on the State Corporation Commission

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** State Corporation Commission Bureau of Insurance

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** Senate Bill 1197 was introduced by Senator Dance at the request of the State Corporation Commission.

**Date:** 02/18/19/V. Tompkins