

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

1. Bill Number: SB1729

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

2. Patron: Norment

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: Workers' compensation; payment of claims.

5. Summary: Prohibits a health care provider from submitting a claim to the Workers' Compensation Commission seeking additional payment for medical services rendered to a claimant before July 1, 2014, if the health care provider has previously accepted payment for the same medical services pursuant to the federal Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act. The measure prohibits the Commission from adjudicating any such claim.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation is not expected to have a state fiscal impact. According to the Department of Human Resource Management's Workers' Compensation Program, Commonwealth of Virginia employees would not be covered under the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (Act) as the Act excludes state employees. A review of filed workers' compensation claims did not include medical fee bill disputes that involved a dual claim covered under the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act and the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission and Department of Human Resource Management

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.