Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB243		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

2. Patron: Adams, D.M.

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

- **4. Title:** Medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, and podiatric medicine; requirements for practitioners.
- **5. Summary:** Increases the duration of postgraduate training required for issuance of a license to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, or podiatric medicine from 12 months to 36 months. Requires every practitioner licensed to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, and podiatric medicine to obtain and maintain coverage by or to be named insured on a professional liability insurance policy with limits equal to the current limitation on damages set forth in the Code of Virginia.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See item 8.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See item 8.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The total fiscal impact the provisions of this legislation would have on the Department of Health Professions cannot be determined. The increase in years of postgraduate training would make Virginia among the most restrictive jurisdictions in the U.S. for medical licensure and would decrease the number of applicants the Board of Medicine receives and ultimately the number of doctors who are renewing their licenses. There would be a fiscal impact to the revenue of the Board but the amount is indeterminate.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.