

Department of Planning and Budget
2023 Fiscal Impact Statement
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1. Bill Number: HB1765H1

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☒ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Carr

3. Committee: Committee on General Laws

4. Title: Fire protection; definition of fire company.

5. Summary: Expands the definition of a fire company to include local organizations of at least 20 individuals organized for the provision of rehabilitation and other support services for firefighters and similar fire safety personnel. However, members of a firefighter support organization are not covered by the provisions of Title 9.1 (Commonwealth Public Safety), Title 27 (Fire Protection), and Title 65.2 (Workers' Compensation) unless otherwise designated for inclusion by ordinance or resolution of the governing body of the applicable county, city, or town of the Commonwealth. The current definition is limited to organizations of at least 20 individuals organized for the purpose of extinguishing fires.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item 8).

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of Fire Programs (VD FP), there is no anticipated fiscal impact as a result of the proposal.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Local and regional fire departments.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.