Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1865		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Scott. P.A.
- 3. Committee: Committee Referral Pending

- 4. Title: Provision of abortion; abortion based on a disability or the sex or ethnicity of the unborn child.
- 5. Summary: Provides that, except in a medical emergency, a person shall not perform, induce, or attempt to perform or induce an abortion unless the physician or nurse practitioner who is to perform or induce the abortion has first confirmed that the abortion is not being sought on the basis of a disability or the sex or ethnicity of the unborn child and has documented these facts in the maternal patient's chart, as well as in a report to be filed with the State Health Commissioner within 15 days of the abortion. The bill further provides that any person performing such a prohibited abortion has committed an act of unprofessional conduct, that his license to practice medicine or as a nurse practitioner in the Commonwealth shall be suspended or revoked pursuant to the rules of unprofessional conduct, and that he is subject to a civil penalty.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of this legislation would require VDH to make information available online about any in utero physical or intellectual disability or diagnosis. The bill will also require VDH to develop a new tool and process for collecting the referenced data. VDH would need to hire a contractor with medical training to develop the information as they do not have the expertise within existing resources. This is expected to be a one-time expense of \$20,656. VDH would also need to hire a contractor to develop the tool and processes for collecting the required data and data maintenance, which would have an ongoing cost of \$14,628. It is assumed VDH can absorb these costs within existing resources.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Health.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.