

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB 2477

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Glass

3. **Committee:** -

4. **Title:** Care Economy Business Council created; powers and duties; membership

5. **Summary:** The proposed legislation creates the 12-member Care Economy Business Council as an advisory council in the executive branch of state government to advise the Governor on funding priorities to determine and implement equitable practices to support persons employed in the direct care workforce. The bill expires on June 30, 2026.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2024	\$17,120	General
2025	\$17,120	General
2026	-	-
2027	-	-
2028	-	-
2029	-	-
2030	-	-

8. **Fiscal Implications:** It is assumed that the Care Economy Business Council would meet at least once per quarter (4 meetings annually) in fiscal years 2024 and 2025. Members of the General Assembly are provided a \$300 per meeting per diem and travel costs are also covered (estimated at \$310 per meeting). The Senate of Virginia and House of Delegates would have a total of six members serving on the proposed Council. As such, the annual cost to support legislative membership is estimated at \$12,200. It is assumed that the travel costs (\$7,200) will be paid by the offices of the Clerk of the House of Delegates and Clerk of the Senate and travel costs (\$7,440) would be covered by the Council.

While nonlegislative and ex-officio members do not receive compensation for serving on the Council, it is expected that any living outside of the Richmond area would receive travel costs. However, it is assumed that all ex-officio members reside within the Richmond area and would not receive a travel reimbursement. Further, it is assumed that approximately one-

third (one) of the three non-legislative members would not be eligible for travel reimbursement due to their proximity to Richmond. Therefore, cost of the remaining two members is estimated to be \$2,480 annually. It is assumed that the Council would need to cover these costs. It should be noted that any meetings conducted virtually would lower the above travel estimates.

It is assumed that the cost of staffing the Council and generating the require report can be absorbed by the Secretary of Health and Human Resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources

House of Delegates

Senate of Virginia

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None