

## Department of Planning and Budget

### 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1221

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Tran

**3. Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

**4. Title:** Hospitals; charity care policies; meaningful access; individuals with low English proficiency.

**5. Summary:** Requires every hospital that is subject to the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act to make available information about the hospital's charity care policies, including information regarding specific eligibility criteria and procedures for applying for charity care, to individuals with low English proficiency in the same manner and languages, and to the same degree, as the hospital makes available other information regarding hospital programs and services.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Minimal.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The provisions of this legislation will have a minimal fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Health (VDH). Any cost to amend regulations can be absorbed within existing resources.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** VDH can absorb the cost to promulgate regulations for the provisions of a single bill with existing resources. However, if a large number of bills become law with a requirement that VDH promulgate or modify regulations, then VDH indicates it will need additional resources to handle the increase in workload.