

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB46

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

2. Patron: Petersen

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Certain emergency and quarantine orders; additional procedural requirements.

5. Summary: Provides that any person who is affected by an order of quarantine may file an appeal in the circuit court for the city or county in which he resides or is located or the circuit court for the jurisdiction or jurisdictions for any affected area; currently, only a person who is subject to an order of quarantine may appeal the order. The bill also provides that, in any case in which the Governor has issued an emergency order that includes any measure that closes schools or businesses or restricts the movement of healthy persons within the area to which the order applies, all of the rights, protections, and procedures applicable in the case of an order of quarantine issued by the Commissioner of Health shall apply.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate, see item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact the provisions of this bill would have on the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) is indeterminate. The proposed legislation would increase the number of persons who are eligible to appeal certain emergency and quarantine orders, which could lead to increased litigation. Any fiscal impact cannot be determined as to how many lawsuits may be a result of this legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.