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Bill Number: HB2255

Patron: Wachsmann

Bill Title: Hospitals, nursing homes, or certified nursing facilities; licensure and inspection fees; fund.

Bill Summary: Directs the State Board of Health to require in its regulations the establishment of fees for the issuance, change, or renewal of a hospital, nursing home, or certified nursing facility license to cover the costs of operating the hospital and nursing home licensure and inspection program in a manner that ensures timely completion of inspections. The bill requires the Board to distribute the costs of operating the hospital and nursing home licensure and inspection program in an equitable manner across all hospitals, nursing homes, or certified nursing facilities and specifies that the amount of such fees shall change no more frequently than annually. The bill also creates the Hospital and Nursing Home Licensure and Inspection Program Fund to be used for the purposes of supporting the activities of the licensure and inspections requirements administered pursuant to current law. The bill directs the Board to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill related to the establishment of such fees and specifies that the provisions pertaining to the creation of the Fund shall not become effective until the Board adopts such emergency regulations.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate

Items Impacted: None.

Explanation: See below

Fiscal Summary: This legislation would require VDH in its regulations to establish fees for the issuance, change, or renewal of a hospital, nursing home, or certified nursing facility license to cover the costs of operating the hospital and nursing home licensure and inspection program in a manner that ensures timely completion of inspections.

Fiscal Analysis: The provisions of this legislation would require VDH to amend its regulations, which can be handled within existing resources. Once regulations are completed and new fees are determined, there will likely be a need for additional nongeneral fund appropriation to account for increases in fee revenue as well as decrease any general fund support that can be offset with this new revenue.

Other: None.