Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1629H1 Patron: Thomas

Bill Title: Health care records; fees; certain requests by a patient or his attorney.

Bill Summary: Prohibits a health care provider from charging a fee for a request by a patient, or his attorney, for such patient's health care records when such records are to be used for the purpose of supporting a claim or appeal under the Social Security Act or any federal or state financial needs-based benefit program. As amended, any additional requests for medical records in the same calendar year are subject to a reasonable fee by the healthcare provider for the production of the records. No fees shall be charged if no medical records are found in response to the request.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No. **Items Impacted:** None.

Explanation: The provisions of this legislation would not have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department

of Health.

Fiscal Summary: There is no anticipated impact to state resources resulting from this bill.

Fiscal Analysis: The provisions of this legislation, as amended, would not have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Health or the State Corporation Commission.

Other: None.