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Bill Number: HB1918H1 Patron: LeVere Bolling

Bill Title: Women's Menstrual Health Program established; screening; treatment; information

collection.

Bill Summary: Directs the Commissioner of Health to establish the Women's Menstrual Health Program within the Department of Health. The bill directs the Department, in administering the Program, to provide screening and treatment to patients who have displayed symptoms related to menstrual disorders, provide education and training on menstrual disorders to health care providers and the public, and provide information on menstrual disorders on the Department's website. The bill requires the Commissioner to collect information on screened patients.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes **Items Impacted:** 277

Fiscal Summary: As amended, the provisions of the bill would establish a Women's Menstrual Health Program to identify and assist patients with symptoms of a menstrual disorder. The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) would manage the program. The bill as amended gives the Board of Health the authority to promulgate regulations necessary to implement the program, and the program would operate according to those regulations. The bill specifies that the Women's Menstrual Health Program would provide education and training for health care staff as well as publish resources for providers and patients on the website.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
		\$59,892	\$10,029	\$10,029	\$10,029	\$10,029
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TOTAL		\$ 59,892	\$ 10,029	\$ 10,029	\$ 10,029	\$ 10,029

Fiscal Analysis: To meet the provisions of the bill, VDH would need to leverage existing staff to develop educational materials health care providers, patients, and the public. VDH staff would develop these educational materials the first year, and then update and promote existing materials in subsequent years. VDH estimates that an existing full-time employee would devote 25% of their time to this project during the first year, and then 5% of their time to this project in subsequent years. Federal funds currently used to support staff time would be reallocated to medical supplies for family planning clinics. Costs to develop educational materials would be \$23,892 in FY26 and \$4,779 in FY27 and beyond.

Additionally, VDH would need to develop trainings for health care providers, patients, and the public. VDH would need additional resources to provide training stipends for trainers; pay for webinar platforms; develop webpages; and develop online educational content. VDH anticipates that the program would primarily provide

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online resources and trainings, but funds for printed materials and in-person trainings would likely still be needed for patients and providers who desire them. Based on similar trainings VDH has done for its Title X family planning program and violence prevention programs, costs would be \$36,000 in Fy26 and \$5,250 in FY27 and beyond.

Any increase in workload to promulgate regulations is expected to be minimal and can be handled within existing resources.

Other: None.