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

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Bill Number: HB2131 Patron: Milde

Bill Title: Professions and occupations; practice of medicine; advertising of prescription drugs or

devices.

Bill Summary: Excludes prescription drugs or devices, as such terms are defined in relevant law, from the definition of "commercial appliances or remedies," as such term relates to the practice of medicine and other healing arts, and provides that the sale of such prescription drugs or devices shall not be prevented or prohibited. Current law provides that the advertising or sale of commercial appliances or remedies shall not be prevented or prohibited.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** n/a

Explanation: There is no expected state fiscal impact resulting from this bill. Resultingly, this bill does not

require that language updates be made to the proposed Appropriation Act.

Fiscal Summary: There is no expected state fiscal impact resulting from this bill.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill clarifies that prescription drugs and devices are not included in the category of commercial appliances or remedies whose sale is protected under § 54.1-2901, *Code of Virginia*; however, the bill also protects the sale of such prescription drugs and devices under law. This exception and subsequent protection is not expected to have a net impact on stakeholder activity, including that of state agencies; as such, there is no expected impact to state resources.

Other: n/a