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

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Bill Number: SB981 Patron: Hashmi

Bill Title: Certified community health workers; annual report.

Bill Summary: As amended, directs the Department of Health (the Department) to evaluate the status of certified community health workers in the Commonwealth and submit a report on its findings to the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations and the House Committee on Appropriations and the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget. Such report will include information on the number of certified community health workers employed by the Department and local health departments; the types of services provided by certified community health workers as well as performance and outcome measures for such services; the need for additional certified community health workers to meet demands for services provided by the Department and local health departments; any nonstate resources used to fund certified community health workers; and descriptions of contracts entered into by localities to provide community health services. Such report shall be submitted by November 1, 2025.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes Items Impacted: 278

Explanation: See below

Fiscal Summary: VDH would be required to submit one report on certified community health workers.

Fiscal Analysis: Any increase in workload to evaluate the status of certified community health workers and submit a report can be handled within existing resources.

Other: None.