

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: SB821H1

Patron: Craig

Bill Title: Nursing facilities; electronic monitoring in resident rooms.

Bill Summary: Permits residents of nursing facilities to have electronic monitoring devices placed in their rooms. The bill defines "electronic monitoring" as the use of a surveillance device with a fixed position video camera or audio recording device, or combination thereof, that is installed in a resident's room and broadcasts or records activities or sounds occurring within the confines of the room. The bill contains several provisions establishing the requirements for the placement and utilization of any such electronic monitoring device in any resident's room, including requirements relating to ensuring residents or the resident's legal representative, consents to the placement and utilization of electronic monitoring devices in their rooms.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Fiscal Summary: Any anticipated impact, as amended, is minimal and can be absorbed by the Virginia Department of Health.

Fiscal Analysis: The Office of Licensure and Certification can handle any increase in workload to receive reports regarding improper use of electronic monitoring devices. Any increase in workload to promulgate regulations can be handled within existing resources. Additionally, this legislation would codify current practice regarding electronic monitoring.

Other: None