Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1617ER **Patron:** McClure
Bill Title: Homeless youth; no fees for insurance of certain government documents.

Bill Summary: Provides that when a homeless youth seeks to receive any (i) copies of vital records; (ii) copies of health records; or (iii) DMV-issued learner's permits, driver's licenses, special identification cards, or identification privilege cards or permits, no fee for issuance shall be assessed against the youth.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes **Items Impacted:** 274

Fiscal Summary: The provisions of this legislation amends several sections of the Code of Virginia to remove fees associated with issuance of certain government documents if requested by homeless youth. These include fees associated with copies of vital records, health records, DMV-issued learner's permits, driver's licenses, special identification cards, or identification privilege cards or permits.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

Agency	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
		$49,248	$49,248	$49,248	$49,248	$49,248
TOTAL		**$49,248**	**$49,248**	**$49,248**	**$49,248**	**$49,248**

Nongeneral Fund Revenue Impact:

Agency	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
		($49,248)	($49,248)	($49,248)	($49,248)	($49,248)
TOTAL		**($49,248)**	**($49,248)**	**($49,248)**	**($49,248)**	**($49,248)**

Fiscal Analysis: The proposed legislation is anticipated to reduce vital record issuance fee revenue directed to the system of vital records by approximately $49,248.00. This was calculated by taking the number of homeless youth estimated by the National Education Center for Homeless Youth in 2022 (14,416 individuals) and dividing by 25% (4,104), which is what the agency estimates would fall under this exemption. Revenue impact was calculated by multiplying 25% of the homeless youth population (4,104) by the fee charged for a certified copy of one vital record ($12.00) for a total of $49,248.00. The Office of Vital Records is a revenue-based office within the VDH, any loss of revenue will need to be replaced with general fund to maintain operations at current levels.

There would not be a fiscal impact of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Other: None.