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Bill Number: HB1305

Patron: Nivar

Bill Title: Professions and occupations; powers and duties of regulatory boards; disciplinary action; dismissal.

Bill Summary: Permits regulatory boards to take a disciplinary case against a licensee under advisement, defer a finding in such case, and dismiss such action upon terms and conditions set by the Board for Professional and Occupational Regulation. The bill additionally clarifies that regulatory boards may take such actions as well as other disciplinary actions and monetary penalties by including a reference to such disciplinary actions and monetary penalties among the listed powers of certain regulatory boards.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: This bill involves the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR); however, no budget action is needed.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any fiscal impact resulting from this bill can be absorbed within existing appropriations.

Fiscal Analysis: The bill allows DPOR's regulatory Boards to defer judgement in disciplinary cases, and to dismiss the case once certain conditions are met, such as remedial education. The bill also contains technical amendments and clarifies that the Boards have the authority to take disciplinary action including monetary fines. While impact estimates are not yet available from DPOR, it is anticipated that any fiscal impact resulting from this change can be absorbed with existing resources.

Because the referenced code section (54.1-202) does not provide otherwise, it is assumed that any revenue from fines is deposited to the Literary Fund. If there is an increase in assessed fines as a result of this bill, the Literary Fund would realize an indeterminate revenue increase.

Other: None.