

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2026 General Assembly Session  
State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**ORIGINAL**

**Bill Number:** SB248

**Patron:** Srinivasan

**Bill Title:** Restaurants; food allergy awareness notice required.

**Bill Summary:** Requires the State Health Commissioner to publish a notice in multiple languages on the Department of Health's website containing procedures for restaurant staff to follow when a customer has a food allergy. The bill requires restaurants to post such notice in a conspicuous location. The bill also requires restaurants to include the phrase, "If you have a food allergy, please notify us," and its translation, if applicable, on their menus or on a sign posted conspicuously in the restaurant.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**Items Impacted:** None

**Fiscal Summary:** Minimal fiscal impact.

**Fiscal Analysis:** Any increase in workload to publish a notice on VDH's website can be handled within existing resources. Additionally, any increase in workload to check for such notice can be handled during the course of a routine restaurant inspection.

**Other:** This bill is similar to HB373.