

## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1090ER

House of Origin     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
 Second House       In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Hope

3. **Committee:** Passed both Houses.

4. **Title:** Required immunizations.

5. **Summary:** Adds to the specific list of minimum immunization requirements for attendance at a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school, child care center, nursery school, family day care home or developmental center set forth in the State Board of Health Regulations for the Immunization of School Children. Additionally, the Board's regulations shall include, (i) two properly spaced doses of varicella vaccine on or after 12 months, the first dose shall be administered at age 12 months or older; (ii) three doses of properly spaced human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, the first dose shall be administered before the child enters the seventh grade; (iii) two or three properly spaced doses of rotavirus vaccine, depending on the manufacturer, for children up to eight months of age; (iv) two properly spaced doses of hepatitis A vaccine (HAV), the first dose shall be administered at age 12 months or older; and (v) two properly spaced doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY). The first dose shall be administered prior to entry to seventh grade. The second dose shall be administered prior to entry to twelfth grade.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, item 299 and item 302.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final, see item 8.

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2021	\$934,921	01000
2021	\$134,442	02050
2022	\$949,241	01000
2022	\$134,442	02050
2023	\$963,804	01000
2023	\$134,442	02050
2024	\$978,615	01000
2024	\$134,442	02050
2025	\$993,678	01000
2025	\$134,442	02050

**7b. Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
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2021	\$134,442	02050
2022	\$134,442	02050
2023	\$134,442	02050
2024	\$134,442	02050
2025	\$134,442	02050

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill would have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. Section 32.1-46 of the Code of Virginia requires the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) to administer vaccines required by the State Board of Health Regulations for the Immunization of School Children without charge to the parent or guardian if the child is eligible for certain programs, such as, the Virginia Vaccines for Children program (VFC), Medicaid, Medicare, CHIP, and CHAMPUS. For children who are covered by insurance, VDH seeks reimbursement for allowable costs associated with the administration of vaccine. VDH procures vaccines through federal contracts that afford discounted pricing and prohibit seeking reimbursement for the cost of the vaccine product itself. VDH seeks reimbursement from third party payers for the administration costs (staff time and supplies) of the vaccine only.

VDH indicates that in order to meet the provisions of the bill, general fund dollars will be needed to purchase the vaccine. Current vaccination coverage rates were used to estimate the population that would need to be vaccinated as a direct result of this bill.

Approximately 14 percent of vaccinations occur at a health department, thus expenditure and revenue estimates are based on this percentage. If more children are vaccinated at a health department than estimated this could potentially affect expenditure and revenue estimates. 77 percent of children who receive vaccinations at a health department are eligible for free vaccines through the federal Virginia Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. Those doses will be purchased using federal VFC funding. The remaining 23 percent of children who receive vaccines at a local health department are not eligible for this program, therefore those doses will be purchased using general fund dollars. Future years assume approximately a 1.7% increase in expenditure for vaccines due to inflation. The revenue estimate reflects the revenue generated from reimbursement of claims for administration fees from third-party payers for children who received general fund vaccine. The administration fee reimbursement revenue does not fully cover the costs associated with administering the vaccine.

Any increase in workload associated with amending regulations can be absorbed within existing resources.

Passage of this legislation will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Social Services. DSS would need to update regulations. The agency indicates the cost of these updates can be absorbed.

This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Medical Assistance Services as all the immunizations included in this bill are currently covered by Medicaid.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Health and the Department of Social Services.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.