

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1845

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Taylor

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; noncompliance with rental agreement; tenants.

5. Summary: Provides that a landlord, when serving written notice on a tenant of his intention to terminate a rental agreement for noncompliance by the tenant with such rental agreement, shall notify the tenant of the option to contact the local department of social services if an authorized occupant is (i) a dependent child younger than 18 years of age, with certain exceptions enumerated in the bill, or (ii) a mentally or physically incapacitated elderly person. The bill provides that where a landlord has received a favorable court order, such landlord shall be responsible for notifying the local department of social services.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Housing and Community Development has no oversight or administrative obligations regarding the Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act. The department does update and publish on its website the Landlord Tenant Handbook. Any legislative changes made to the Act will be updated, but the department can do so using current resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Housing and Community Development; local departments of social services.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.