

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB2306

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

2. **Patron:** Freitas

3. **Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. **Title:** Immunizations; authority of the Commissioner of Health; religious exception.

5. **Summary:** Exempts a person, including a parent or guardian on behalf of a child, who objects to administration of a vaccine on religious grounds from mandatory immunization requirements issued by the Commissioner of Health during an epidemic. Currently, exemption from mandatory immunization requirements during an epidemic is available only to those persons to whose health the administration of the vaccine would be detrimental, as certified in writing by a licensed physician.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The provisions of this legislation, as amended, would not have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Health.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None.

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

11. **Other Comments:** None.