

**Department of Planning and Budget
2022 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB264

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

2. Patron: Head

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Public health emergency; out-of-state licensees; deemed licensure.

5. Summary: Provides that when the Board of Health has entered an emergency order for the purpose of suppressing nuisances dangerous to the public health or communicable, contagious or infectious diseases or other dangers to the public life and health, a practitioner of a profession regulated by the Board of Medicine who is licensed in another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory or possession and who is in good standing with the applicable regulatory agency in that state, the District of Columbia, or that United States territory or possession shall not be prevented or prohibited from engaging in the practice of that profession in the Commonwealth with a patient located in the Commonwealth when (i) such practice is for the purpose of providing continuity of care through the use of telemedicine services and (ii) the patient is a current patient of the practitioner with whom the practitioner has previously established a practitioner-patient relationship.

The bill also provides that when the Board of Health has entered an emergency order for the purpose of suppressing nuisances dangerous to the public health or communicable, contagious or infectious diseases or other dangers to the public life and health, individuals licensed or certified to practice medicine, osteopathic medicine, or podiatry or as a physician assistant, respiratory therapist, advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or nurse aide by another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory or possession shall be deemed to be licensed or certified to practice in the Commonwealth for a period of 30 days when certain criteria are met.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of this bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Health or the Department of Health Professions.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.