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LEGISLATIVE BILL REVIEW FORM: 2016

Bill Number: H. 824 Name of Bill: An act relating to the adoption of occupational safety and health rules and standards

Agency/ Dept: VDOL Author of Bill Review: Matt Hill

Date of Bill Review: 4/22/16 Related Bills and Key Players VDOL

Status of Bill: (check one): Upon Introduction As passed by 1st body x As passed by both

Recommended Position:

 x Support Oppose Remain Neutral Support with modifications identified in #8 below

Analysis of Bill

1. Summary of bill and issue it addresses. *Describe what the bill is intended to accomplish and why.*

The Bill is a house keeping bill. When the occupational health inspection program was moved from the Department of Health to Labor, the VOSHA statute was not updated to move rulemaking responsibilities from AHS and the health department to VOSHA for Occupational health issues. This legislation corrects that oversight.

2. Is there a need for this bill? *Please explain why or why not.*

Yes, currently the statute directs VDOL to adopt occupational safety standards, and AHS to adopt occupational Health standards, but VOSHA is expected to enforce both, and federal OSHA holds VOSHA responsible for adopting occupational health standards that are at least as effective as federal occupational health standards

3. What are likely to be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for this Department?

None

4. What might be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for other departments in state government, and what is likely to be their perspective on it?

None

5. What might be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for others, and what is likely to be their perspective on it? (for example, public, municipalities, organizations, business, regulated entities, etc)

None

6. Other Stakeholders:

6.1 Who else is likely to support the proposal and why?

All impacted entities supported this portion of the bill

6.2 Who else is likely to oppose the proposal and why?

No impacted entity opposed or objected to this portion of the bill

7. Rationale for recommendation: *Justify recommendation stated above.*

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It is simply a cleanup bill for easier administration for VDOL, and keeps the VOSHA program in good standing with federal OSHA.

8. Specific modifications that would be needed to recommend support of this bill: *Not meant to rewrite bill, but rather, an opportunity to identify simple modifications that would change recommended position.*

None

9. Will this bill create a new board or commission AND/OR add or remove appointees to an existing one? If so, which one and how many?

No

Secretary/Commissioner has reviewed this document: _____ **Date:** 4/22/16