

## Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB2547

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<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron** Katzen

**3. Committee** Courts of Justice

**4. Title** Support of committed juveniles by parents

5. Summary/Purpose: This legislation proposes to amend §16.1-290 of the Code of Virginia to require parents or other persons legally obligated to care for and support a juvenile committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice as a delinquent or serious offender to pay a reasonable amount of support to cover the cost of support and treatment of the juvenile.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Tentative. See item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The fiscal implications of this legislation are uncertain. The bill adds the juveniles committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice to the Code section that requires parents or legal guardians to pay a reasonable amount commensurate with their ability to pay for the support and treatment of the juvenile. Although this legislation may provide additional revenue to the department to defray its costs, it should be noted that the department has no means of enforcing any court ordered payment. The Department of Social Services, Child Support Enforcement Division, advises that it already enforces existing cases where judges order support and does not anticipate any additional costs associated with this legislation.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Juvenile Justice

10. Technical amendment necessary: None.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Public Safety

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