## Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

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	Second House	☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled
2.	Patron	Rhodes
3.	Committee	H. Courts of Justice
1.	Title	Emergency protective orders; criminal information network.

## 5. Summary/Purpose:

Permits, by local agreement, that the court or magistrate issuing an emergency protective order to forward the information regarding the order to the Virginia Criminal Information Network ("VCIN") electronically.

- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** tentative, see #8 below.
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: To be determined.

## 8. Fiscal implications:

Since the task is permissive on the part of the court or the magistrate, it is expected that the courts and magistrates agreeing to undertake this responsibility will be those who can absorb this responsibility without significant fiscal impact.

According to the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court, relatively few of the courts have electronic access to VCIN. Since this task is permissive, the fiscal impact analysis does not include providing VCIN access to courts currently without that access. If required, then wide-spread provision of VCIN access could entail a significant fiscal impact to the court system.

Law enforcement agencies may also be affected. However, to what extent this information may be provided by those courts with VCIN capability, and to what extent this may aid in their duties, cannot be determined.

- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** The court system and law enforcement agencies.
- **10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.
- **11. Other comments:** None.

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