

Department of Planning and Budget 2002 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB507

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Drake

3. Committee Passed both houses

4. Title Attorney General; legal services to inmates.

5. Summary/Purpose:

HB507 requires the Office of the Attorney General to provide legal services in all civil matters to chaplains serving inmates in state adult correctional facilities or juveniles in state juvenile facilities. The bill also includes these chaplains under the Commonwealth's risk management plan.

6. Fiscal impact cannot be determined. See Item 8

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: The Office of the Attorney General currently provides legal service in civil matters for the Commonwealth, the Governor, every state department, institution, division, commission, board, bureau, agency, entity, official, court, or judge, including conduct of all civil litigation in which any of them are interested. The chaplains rendering the service to inmates in a state institution or to juveniles in a state juvenile secure or nonsecure facility are independent chaplains and not part of the state system. This bill expands the Office of the Attorney General coverage to include these chaplains. The additional fiscal impact cannot be determined.

This bill also includes the chaplains under the Commonwealth's risk management plan to provide protection against claims by persons incarcerated in a state correctional facility, juvenile correction center, or a facility operated under the Corrections Private Management Act. The fiscal impact on the Commonwealth's risk management plan cannot be determined.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Courts, Office of the Attorney General

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: This bill is the same as HB615.

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cc: Attorney General