

## Department of Planning and Budget 2002 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** SB127

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

**2. Patron** Ruff

**3. Committee** Commerce and Labor

**4. Title** Employee misconduct and disqualification for unemployment benefits

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The bill provides that an employee is disqualified for unemployment benefits if there is a confirmed positive test for an nonprescribed controlled substance pursuant to a drug testing program conducted by personnel of a probation agency or personnel of any program or agency approved by a probation agency or pursuant to any other drug testing program administered pursuant to an order of a court requiring the employee to remain drug free and to submit to such tests. The drug test results shall be made available to the Virginia Employment Commission by the probation agency or court upon a motion of the Commission or employer.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are Not Available:** SEE ITEM 8.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** The bill would have a fiscal impact on the Unemployment Trust Fund only to the degree that the further provision that drug tests performed by a probation agency or a court disqualifies people from being eligible for unemployment benefits. However, any fiscal impact would be to the benefit of the trust funds since fewer benefits would be paid out, but it is not possible to estimate the number of people who would be disqualified for benefits.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Virginia Employment Commission.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade