Department of Planning and Budget
2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. BillNumber   HB1858

    House of Origin   ☐ Introduced   ☐ Substitute   ☐ Engrossed

    Second House   ☐ InCommittee   ☐ Substitute   ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron   Cox

3. Committee   Passed both Houses

4. Title   Solicitation of contributions; terrorist organization

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill requires that every registration statement to solicit contributions have the following statement: "No funds solicited by this charitable organization have been or will knowingly be used, directly or indirectly, to benefit or provide support, in cash or in kind, to terrorists, terrorist organizations, terrorist activities, or the family members of any terrorist." The bill prohibits the licensing or permitting of any such organization that has provided such support, and subjects any person who knowingly uses or permits the use of such funds to benefit or provide support for terrorists, terrorist organizations, terrorist activities or family members of any terrorist, to the fines and jail time currently established. Finally, the bill subjects the assets of any person who commits or attempts to commit an act of terrorism to forfeiture in accordance with §18.2-46.9. The bill is identical to Senate Bill 954 which is also enrolled.

6. Fiscal impact estimates are: Final. See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has determined that the bill will have no fiscal impact because the agency is not aware of any currently registered charitable organizations that support terrorists activities. In the future, there may be some expense to the judicial system associated with prosecution of violators of the provisions of the bill, but these costs are unknown at this time.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, judicial system.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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    Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services