

## Department of Planning and Budget 2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB2180

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

**2. Patron** Kilgore

**3. Committee** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title** Jail policies.

**5. Summary/Purpose:** Provides that jailers shall keep a formal written policy stating the criteria and condition of earned credit in the facility; clarifies the rate for earning good conduct credit for prisoners convicted of misdemeanors; and provides that in order for a prisoner to work on certain properties on a voluntary basis (in order to receive credit on his sentence for the work done), orders must be specific for identified individual prisoners. The bill also provides that for all offenses committed on or after July 1, 2003, any order that does not specifically identify individual prisoners shall be void.

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

**7. Budget amendment necessary:**

**8. Fiscal implications:** The fiscal impact of the proposed legislation, if any, is not certain. It is expected that, for some state and local responsible inmates that are in jail, longer stays in jail and/or prison beds will occur due to loss of earning good time/earned sentence credits. For instance, local responsible inmates that have sentences that exceed 12 months and are not eligible for parole would not be eligible for earning good conduct credit. The Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission has begun an analysis to determine if there are any impacts.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Compensation Board, Department of Corrections, local and regional jails.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** This bill is identical to SB1146

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