

Department of Planning and Budget

2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1172-ER

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
 Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Kilgore

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Additional fees in certain courts; use by the Virginia State Bar.

5. Summary/Purpose: Increase by \$1 court fees in law and chancery cases in circuit court and in each civil action in general district court. The additional dollar is paid into a special fund (Legal Aid Services Fund) within the Virginia State Bar.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Final

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2004-05	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2005-06	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2006-07	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2007-08	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2008-09	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2009-10	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund

6b. Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2004-05	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2005-06	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2006-07	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2007-08	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2008-09	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund
2009-10	\$1,050,000	0	Nongeneral Fund

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes, Item 39

8. Fiscal implications: According to the Supreme Court there were over 102,000 initial civil case filings in circuit court, and over 945,000 new civil cases filed in district court in calendar year 2002. Assuming the number of filings remains relatively constant, it is estimated that approximately \$1,050,000 in additional funding would be available for the Legal Aid Services Fund.

This legislation contains a clause that requires an appropriation in the appropriation act of general funds for a total of 49 positions for the court system in order for the provisions of this legislation to be enacted. The proposed Senate plan contains funding for these positions.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Court System, Virginia State Bar

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: The provisions of this legislation will expire on July 1, 2006.

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