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Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB450

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

2. Patron Whipple

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- 3. Committee Courts of Justice
- 4. Title Public Defender's Office; County of Arlington, City of Falls Church

5. Summary/Purpose: Requires the establishment of a public defender office in Arlington County and the City of Falls Church.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Preliminary

Expenditure Impact:				
Fiscal Year	Dollars	Positions	Fund	
2004-05	1,716,026	22.5	General Fund	
2005-06	1,601,839	22.5	General Fund	
2006-07	1,601,839	22.5	General Fund	
2007-08	1,601,839	22.5	General Fund	
2008-09	1,601,839	22.5	General Fund	

- 7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes, Item 39.
- 8. Fiscal implications: According to the Public Defender's Commission, establishing a Public Defender's Office in the County of Arlington/City of Falls Church would require \$1.7 million for fiscal year 2005 and the addition of 22.5 FTEs. Included in the estimated cost of \$1.7 million are \$1.2 million in salaries and related benefits for 22 pay periods and \$218,780 in one-time start up costs. The estimated impact for fiscal year 2006 is \$1.6 million after one time costs are removed. Expenditures could potentially be offset by savings to the Criminal Fund. Funding needs after fiscal year 2006 are level funded as it is not possible to predict future pay or cost increases.
- **9.** Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Public Defender Commission, Criminal Fund

10. Technical amendment necessary: None

11. Other comments: None

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