

Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB 2115

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

2. Patron L. Putney

3. Committee Committee Pending

4. Title Creation of Pro Hac Vice Fund

5. Summary/Purpose:

Establishes the Pro Hac Vice Fund as a special, nonreverting fund comprised of fees collected for applications to associate counsel (out-of-state attorneys). Moneys in the Fund are to be used by the Supreme Court for improving the administration of justice. The fee, under new Supreme Court Rule 1A:4, will be \$250.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Indeterminant (see Item 8)

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes. Item 25.

8. Fiscal implications:

Rule 1A:4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia will require a \$250 application fee to out of state lawyers who wish to appear *pro hac vice* as counsel in any matter pending before a tribunal in the Commonwealth of Virginia. According to the Supreme Court, data is not available as to how many cases involve *pro hac vice* admissions. For every 100 cases involving pro hac vice admissions, only \$2,500 is generated from this fee. Any fees collected would need to be appropriated to allow expenditure by the Supreme Court.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Courts, Department of Accounts.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: A fund code would be required to be established for the Pro Hac Vice Fund.

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