

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2007 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**Revised: 3/15/07**

**1. Bill Number** HB 2115ER

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

**2. Patron**        L. Putney

**3. Committee**    Passed Both Houses

**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:** No

**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 \$25,000 is generated from this fee. Any fees collected would eventually 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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