

## Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB 2955

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

**2. Patron** Bell

**3. Committee** Courts of Justice

**4. Title** Mental Health, Temporary Detention Orders

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The substitute bill requires a magistrate issuing a temporary detention order to consider the recommendations of any treating or examining physician licensed in Virginia, if available, prior to rendering a decision.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** None

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal implications:** The revised bill has no fiscal impact

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services; Department of Medical Assistance Services and local Community Service Boards

**10. Other comments:** The Supreme Court of Virginia has initiated a Commission on Mental Health Law Reform, which is intensively studying Virginia's involuntary civil commitment laws. This group includes representation from all stakeholders, and will complete its study and recommendations in time for the 2008 Session.

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