

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2271

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

2. Patron: Keam

3. Committee: House Committee on Science and Technology

4. Title: Computer and digital forensic services; exemption: private security service business.

5. Summary: Exempts from regulation as a private security service business any individual engaged in (i) computer or digital forensic services or in the acquisition, review, or analysis of digital or computer-based information, whether for purposes of obtaining or furnishing information for evidentiary or other purposes or for providing expert testimony before a court, or (ii) network or system vulnerability testing, including network scans and risk assessment and analysis of computers connected to a network.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate (see Item 8)

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) oversees the regulation of the private security industry in Virginia. This legislation allows an unknown number of persons to be exempted from regulation as a private security business. Because the number of persons impacted by this legislation is unknown, it is not possible for DCJS to determine the fiscal impact. However, because of the specialized nature of computer forensic work, it is believed it would affect only a small number of the persons that DCJS presently regulates.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: DCJS

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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