

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1001

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

2. Patron: Watkins

3. Committee: Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title: Powers of the Board of Corrections

5. Summary:

The proposed legislation would amend the section of the Code of Virginia setting out the general powers and duties of the Board of Corrections. These amendments would:

- Eliminate the power of the board to develop program and fiscal standards for state correctional facilities and limit it to local, regional, and community correctional facilities;
- Eliminate the power to ensure the development of long-range programs and plans for corrections services at the state and local levels;
- Eliminate the power to review and comment on all budgets and requests for appropriations by the Department of Corrections prior to their submission to the Governor and on all applications for federal funds;
- Eliminate the power to monitor the activities of the Department of Corrections and its effectiveness;
- Eliminate the power to advise the General Assembly on matters relating to corrections; and
- Eliminate the general power to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations needed to carry out the provisions of state law administered by the Department of Corrections. Such power would be limited to local, regional, and community correctional facilities.

The proposed legislation would also repeal the specific power of the board to authorize the payment of medical expenses incurred by an inmate after his release or discharge from the Department when such expenses are the result of an injury suffered by the inmate while incarcerated and not caused by the misconduct of the prisoner.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

7. No Fiscal Impact. Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications:

The proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Corrections

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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