

Department of Planning and Budget

2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1607

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: Garrett

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Per diem medicolegal death investigators.

5. Summary: Authorizes the Chief Medical Examiner to appoint per diem medicolegal death investigators to assist the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner with medicolegal death investigations and provides that per diem medicolegal death investigators shall be agents of the Commonwealth.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. The bill allows for the appointment of per diem investigators. The Chief Medical Examiner can already make interim appointments between official appointment dates. Therefore, a qualified person can be appointed as a medical examiner any time of the year and re-appointed at official appointment times. Also, in Virginia, medical examiners conduct the medicolegal death investigations. The bill allows for the appointment of per diem investigators. The bill would not increase workloads for the agency, just the means by which it can be handled.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.