

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2017 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1458

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

**2. Patron:** McPike

**3. Committee:** Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Dangerous weapons; place of religious worship.

**5. Summary:** Dangerous weapons; place of religious worship. Requires a person to have the express authorization of a place of religious worship to carry certain weapons to such place of worship while a meeting for religious purposes is being held. Current law requires such person to have a good and sufficient reason to do so.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Indeterminate. See Item 8 below.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill requires a person to have authorization of a place of religious worship before they may carry certain weapons into that place of worship. Because current law only requires a person to have a good and sufficient reason, the number of crimes relating to carrying weapons into places of religious worship may increase as a result of this bill.

Any person found guilty of carrying a dangerous weapon to place of religious worship is convicted of a Class 4 misdemeanor and is subject to a fine of not more than \$250; such fines are deposited into the Commonwealth Literary Fund (Literary Fund). By increasing the number of convictions, there could be an increase in revenue to the Literary Fund. However, there is not sufficient data available to estimate the increase in revenue.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None