

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2018 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number: HB 444**

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

**2. Patron: Carroll Foy**

**3. Committee: Appropriations**

**4. Title: Parole interviews**

**5. Summary:**

For each offender eligible for parole, the Parole Board is required by law to review his/her case at least annually, with the exception that it may schedule an inmate's review for three years thereafter if there are at least ten years or more or life imprisonment remaining on his/her sentence. The proposed legislation would require that, for any inmate eligible for parole who has served at least 20 years of his/her sentence and has no record of violations of any written prison rules or regulations within the preceding five years, at least one member of the Parole Board shall conduct at least one in-person interview every three years.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.**

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.**

**8. Fiscal Implications:**

By law, the Parole Board consists of five members appointed by the Governor. No more than three of those positions may be full-time, one of which is the chairman, who functions also as the agency director. Currently, there are three full-time members and two part-time members.

It is expected that the Board would be able to carry out the requirements of the amended legislation with current resources.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Parole Board**

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.**

**11. Other Comments: None.**