

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2018 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB545H1

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

**2. Patron:** Obenshain

**3. Committee:** House Appropriations

**4. Title:** Court reporters

**5. Summary:** The substitute bill establishes ethical standards and requirements for the provision of court reporting services. The bill further provides that a person who violates these standards is subject to a civil penalty of \$500 for a first offense, \$750 for a second offense, and \$1,000 for a third and any subsequent offense, which shall be collected by the clerk of the administrative body, court, or administrative tribunal in which such penalty was assessed.

In addition, the bill provides that collections are to be deposited into the state treasury and credited to the Legal Aid Services Fund within the Virginia State Bar fund.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary (see Item 8)

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia (OES), the substitute bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the court system.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Courts

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None