

**Department of Planning and Budget**  
**2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**  
**REVISED**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1903

<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:** Head

**3. Committee:** Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Limitations on dissemination of criminal history record information

**5. Summary:** Requires that criminal history information provided to any employer for a perspective employee shall be limited only to convictions occurring within the seven years prior to the request, except for any information related to a felony or act of violence, a violent felony, or a “barrier crime” that prohibits the individual from working in that field.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 419.

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The Virginia State Police (VSP) operates the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE), which is the state’s criminal records database. The CCRE contains arrest fingerprints and the disposition of all criminal cases adjudicated in the Commonwealth. It is available twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week to criminal justice and law enforcement agencies at the state and federal level. In 2017, VSP received 472,691 requests from employers for criminal history records, and in 2018, it received 507,010 such requests. CCRE staff conducts inquiries, reviews, analyzes, redacts, and disseminates information to employers related to the criminal records of perspective employees. The agency is also required by law to make reasonable efforts to respond to an employer’s request for criminal history record information within 15 business days.

According to VSP, this bill will require a modification to the Computerized Criminal History (CCH) system to allow for electronic redactions, rather than manual redactions as initially estimated, of certain convictions over seven years old. Upon further review, VSP estimates the programming required to permit existing CCRE personnel to perform electronic redactions will be a one-time cost of approximately \$134,800. No additional personnel will be needed.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of State Police

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.