

Department of Planning and Budget

2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2615H1

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

2. Patron: Pillion

3. Committee: Senate Committee for Courts of Justice

4. Title: Capital murder

5. Summary: The substitute bill provides that no person charged with capital murder under the provisions of § 18.2-31 subsection A. where the offender was 18 years of age or older at the time of the offense will receive punishment less than the mandatory minimum term of confinement for life.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The substitute bill would require a mandatory minimum term of confinement for life for any person charged with capital murder under § 18.2-31 subsection A.

The provisions of the bill are not expected to impact the trial preparation or the manner in which the attorney for the Commonwealth tries a case. Therefore, no resulting fiscal impact is expected.

The Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission (“Commission”) has determined, pursuant to §30-19.1:4 of the Code of Virginia, that the substitute bill is not likely to have an impact on state-responsible (prison) bed space nor local responsible (jail) bed space. In addition, the Commission concluded the substitute bill is not likely to impact the bed space of juvenile direct care and juvenile detention facilities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts, Commonwealth’s Attorneys’, Department of Corrections, Department of Juvenile Justice

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None