

## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1392

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed  
**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Danica A. Roem

3. **Committee:** Committee Referral Pending

4. **Title:** Office of the Attorney General; FOIA Ombudsman; powers and duties; report.

5. **Summary:** Requires the Attorney General to appoint a Virginia Freedom of Information Act Ombudsman to promote compliance by state agencies with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. The bill outlines the powers and duties of the Ombudsman and provides for the Ombudsman to submit by November 30 of each year a report on his activities and policy recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:**

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2020			
2021	\$304,375	2	General Fund
2022	\$304,375	2	General Fund
2023	\$304,375	2	General Fund
2024	\$304,375	2	General Fund
2025	\$304,375	2	General Fund
2026	\$304,375	2	General Fund

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The Attorney General and Department of Law (OAG) indicates this bill will require the addition of one senior level attorney and one paralegal staff, costing \$304,375. Office space outside of the Richmond office has not been included in this estimate.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Attorney General and Department of Law

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

11. **Other Comments:**