

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB108

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

2. Patron: Surovell

3. Committee: Rules

4. Title: Virginia State Justice Commission; purpose, membership.

5. Summary: The bill renames the Virginia State Crime Commission as the Virginia State Justice Commission. The bill also expands the purpose of the Commission to include studying, reporting, and making recommendations in the areas of diversion, rehabilitation, reentry, collateral consequences of conviction, and equity and fairness in the criminal legal system. The bill reduces the number of legislative members to three members of the House of Delegates and adds to the Commission the executive director of the Virginia Indigent Defense Commission or his designee, the Superintendent of State Police or his designee, and one nonlegislative citizen member to be appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security with an expertise in offender rehabilitation, reform, and reentry.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill presents a fiscal impact that cannot yet be determined. While the bill presents a small savings of \$3,600 to the House of Delegates resulting from a reduction in House of Delegates members, there are expenses involved to accommodate the Commission's name change.

Regarding the potential savings, the House states it will have 3 fewer members requiring interim meeting compensation. This potential savings is outweighed by costs incurred by changing the name of the Commission. A name change for the Virginia State Crime Commission to the Virginia State Justice Commission would entail administrative expenses and considerable staff time to implement. The following are likely fiscal impacts to the Commission itself to address the name change:

1. New signage for the office and building based on preliminary estimates from DGS will cost approximately \$3,000.
2. Administrative costs will be incurred associated with new letterhead, envelopes, business cards, ID badges, meeting materials and nameplates for members, and any other

office items displaying the agency's name. This cost is estimated at \$500. There may be other state agencies that publish agency directories that may also need to update their publications and/or documents. The number of hours staff would need to devote to these tasks is enhanced by the changes in membership

3. The Commission's logo, which appears on all agency documents, signs, publications/reports, meeting materials, as well as the agency website will need to be changed. The Division of Legislative Automated Systems (DLAS) provides IT support to the Commission, typically at no cost. However, if there is a redesign of the agency website from the ground up, DLAS may need to acquire outside resources. Therefore, there may be costs associated with a redesign of the agency website. Costs to rebuild the agency website are indeterminate.

4. A considerable amount of staff time will be necessary to ensure a seamless transition to a new agency name. All agency accounts, contracts, services, subscriptions, forms for other state agencies, email addresses, purchase cards, parking badges, employee guidelines, internal agency forms and documents, tax-exempt certificates, and issues of this sort. will need to be updated with the new agency name. The number of hours staff would need to devote to these tasks is indeterminate.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Virginia State Justice Commission; The Division of Legislative Services; The House of Delegates; The Senate of Virginia.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to House Bill 92.