

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB248S1

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

2. Patron: Favola

3. Committee: Judiciary

4. Title: Virginia Violence Intervention and Prevention Fund

5. Summary: This bill establishes the Virginia Violence Intervention and Prevention Fund to be administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of supporting violence intervention and prevention programs, including street outreach, hospital-based violence intervention, and group violence intervention programs.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No. Item 406 of the introduced budget bill (HB30/SB30) includes an appropriation to support this legislation and accompanying language.

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

8. Fiscal and Operational Implications: This bill establishes the Virginia Violence Intervention and Prevention Fund to be administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS). The bill requires DCJS to adopt guidelines to make funds available to agencies of local government, community-based organizations, and hospitals for the purpose of supporting implementation of evidence-informed violence intervention and prevention efforts, including street outreach, hospital-based violence intervention, and group violence intervention programs. The bill also requires that DCJS establish a procedure to administer grants to support such violence intervention and prevention efforts.

The introduced budget (HB30/SB30), provides \$2,645,244 in the first year and \$193,658 in the second year from the general fund and two positions for DCJS to make competitive grants to five localities to support evidence-based gun violence intervention and prevention initiatives (Item 406.M). The introduced budget provides language for DCJS to evaluate the initiatives funded in each of the five localities selected and to submit a report to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and the Senate Finance Committees by November 1, 2021.

The substitute version of this bill includes a provision which permits including gifts, donations, grants, bequests, and other such funds to be deposited in the Virginia Violence Intervention and Prevention Fund. Additionally, the substitute version removes the word “gun” from the proposed legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Department of Criminal Justice Services, the State Treasurer, and the State Comptroller.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.