

Department of Planning and Budget
2020 Special Session I - Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB5103

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

2. Patron: Chafin

3. Committee: Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title: Eligibility for parole; murder.

5. Summary: This bill provides that any person convicted of murder where the location of the body of the victim is unknown and the Parole Board has probable cause to believe that such person convicted has information concerning the location of the body is not eligible for parole.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

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

8. Fiscal Implications: Under the provisions of this bill, an offender convicted of murder would not be eligible for parole in cases where the murder victim's body has never been located and the Parole Board has reason to believe that the offender has information concerning location of the body. Currently, when an offender is eligible for parole, that offender is interviewed by a parole examiner, after researching the case and information obtained from that process is made available to Parole Board members for their consideration in denying or granting parole. According to the Parole Board, the provisions of this bill are already considered by the Parole Board and would thus have no fiscal impact.

There is currently no information on the number of offenders who may be affected by the provisions of this bill. Therefore, the impact this bill may have on state-responsible bed space cannot be determined at this time.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Parole Board, Department of Corrections

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None