

Department of Planning and Budget

2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB181

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

2. Patron: Ransone

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Criminal records; sealing of records; repeal.

5. Summary: Repeals provisions not yet effective allowing for the automatic and petition-based sealing of police and court records for certain convictions, deferred dispositions, and acquittals, and for offenses that have been nolle prossed or otherwise dismissed. The bill also provides that in the case of offenses not required to be reported to the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE) pursuant to § 19.2-390(A), the reports of any foregoing dispositions shall be filed by the law enforcement agency making the arrest with the arrest record such agencies are required to maintain pursuant to § 15.2-1722.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 429.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The Commonwealth's Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE) is the Commonwealth's repository for criminal records, and is maintained by the Department of State Police (VSP). Because the proposed legislation requires law enforcement agencies to submit information for inclusion in the CCRE that is not currently required, VSP will need to perform modifications to its system to allow this additional criminal history information to be included on criminal history record reports. The estimated one-time cost of these modifications is \$168,240.

Any potential fiscal impact on the Courts is unavailable at this time. This impact statement will be updated when information becomes available.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of State Police and Courts.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.