

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2019

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Adams, L.R.

3. Committee: House Committee for Courts of Justice

4. Title: Review of discretionary sentencing guidelines

5. Summary: The proposed bill requires the court to (i) review and consider discretionary sentencing guidelines before a deferred disposition in felony cases other than Class 1 felonies and (ii) within five days following a deferred disposition in felony cases, forward the original discretionary sentencing guidelines worksheets with a copy of the court order to the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

Under current law, the court is required to review discretionary sentencing guidelines only before imposing sentence in all felony cases other than Class 1 felonies and is required to forward the original discretionary sentencing guidelines worksheets with a copy of the court order to the Commission only following the entry of a final order of conviction and sentence in a felony case.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

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

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court ("OES"), the bill is not expected to have a material fiscal impact on the resources of the court system.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts, and the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None