

Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1618

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2. Patron Frederick

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Immigration laws; Governor to enter into agreement with federal Immigration regarding.

5. Summary/Purpose: States that it is the responsibility of the Governor to enter into an agreement with federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement that would allow the Department of State Police to enforce civil immigration laws.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: PRELIMINARY, See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The fiscal impact of the proposal is not known at this time. If an agreement is reached for the Department of State Police to enforce civil immigration laws, state troopers could be diverted from current duties unless additional resources are provided. The cost for each new trooper is estimated at \$132,000 the first year and \$76,000 the second year.

In addition, enforcing civil immigration violations could result in more inmates being held in local and regional jails. Although there is not enough information available to reliably estimate how many additional inmates could result from this proposal, any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth pays the localities \$8.00 a day for each misdemeanor or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail. It also funds most of the jails' operating costs, e.g. correctional officers. The state's share of these costs on a per prisoner, per day basis varies from locality to locality. However, according to the Compensation Board's most recent Jail Cost Report (FY 2005), the estimated total state support for local jails averaged \$28.35 per inmate, per day in FY 2005.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of State Police, local and regional jails statewide, Compensation Board.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: The estimated number of illegal immigrants in Virginia ranges from 250,000 to 470,000.

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cc: Secretary of Public Safety
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