

Department of Planning and Budget
2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1896

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Albo

3. Committee Courts of Justice

4. Title Street gangs; punishment for defacing or destroying any war memorial.

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides that punishment for any person who defaces or destroys any war memorial at the direction of, for the benefit of, or in clear association with any criminal street gang, as defined in § 18.2-46.1, shall include a mandatory minimum term of incarceration of 10 days.

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

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: There is not enough information available to reliably estimate how many additional inmates in jail 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: Local and regional jails, state and local law enforcement agencies and the State Compensation Board.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Administration