

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1363

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☒ Engrossed

Second House ☒ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Reynolds

3. Committee: House Committee for Courts of Justice

4. Title: **Compensation of Court Appointed Counsel in State Habeas Corpus Proceeding**

5. Summary: Provides compensation to counsel representing an indigent prisoner under sentence of death in a state habeas corpus proceeding, on the same basis as provided to counsel representing a defendant charged with a Class 1 felony.

6. No Fiscal Impact: Preliminary (see Item 8)

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Supreme Court of Virginia (SCV), this legislation would not change the amount of compensation to court appointed counsel in habeas corpus cases for capital offenses, but simply permits the submission of bills on a monthly basis versus at the conclusion of the case. This legislation has no fiscal impact on agency operations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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