

## Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB1481

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

**2. Patron:** Ruff

**3. Committee:** House Committee on Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Circuit Court Clerk Local fee Assessment of 10 Percent

**5. Summary:** Allows the circuit court clerk to assess a local fee of up to 10 percent of the total fees charged in criminal cases to be retained by the clerk for use in the operation of the clerk's office.

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

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Supreme Court of Virginia (SCV), the proposed legislation would allow circuit court clerks to assess a local fee of up to 10 percent of the total fees charged in criminal cases. The fee would be retained by the clerk for use in the operation of the clerk's office. At this time, SCV is unable to quantify the amount of revenue that would be generated by this legislation. As the additional revenue would be retained by the clerk's office, no additional revenue would be realized by the state. Through this local fee, the state could consider providing less state support to circuit court clerks.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Courts, Compensation Board

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None

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