Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB1264			
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	\square	Enrolled
2.	Patron: St	tuart, R			

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

- **4. Title:** Freedom of Information Act; access to criminal and other records held by public bodies.
- 5. Summary: Reorganizes § 2.2-3706 of the Freedom of Information Act relating to access to criminal records and other records held by law-enforcement agencies. The only substantive changes in the bill are to (i) expand to the state law-enforcement agencies the ability to withhold portions of noncriminal incident information and (ii) allow law-enforcement agencies to make a verbal response for requests for criminal incident information. The bill also clarifies that personnel records of persons employed by a law-enforcement agency are not noncriminal records, but subject to the personnel records and background investigation records exemptions. The bill contains technical amendments and is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: None.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Law-enforcement agencies.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.

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