

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2015 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1851

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| <b>House of Origin</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed |
| <b>Second House</b>    | <input type="checkbox"/> In Committee          | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled  |

**2. Patron:** Adams

**3. Committee:** Courts subcommittee: Civil Law

**4. Title:** Representation by Attorney General; court reporters.

**5. Summary:** Representation by Attorney General; court reporters. Allows the Attorney General to represent a court reporter employed by the Commonwealth, an agency or court thereof, or a local public agency in a civil matter brought against him for alleged errors or omissions in the discharge of his duties.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Indeterminate. See item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill amends 2.2-507 to require the Attorney General to represent court reporters employed by the Commonwealth, or agency or court of the Commonwealth, when they are sued for "errors or omissions" in the discharge of their duties. The Office of the Attorney General indicates that no major fiscal impact is expected and any impact could be absorbed using existing staff. The impact is indeterminate because the number of applicable cases is not readily predictable.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Office of the Attorney General

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:**

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