Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	: SB 1094					
	House of Origin		Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron: 1	Howell					
3.	Committee: S	Senate Courts of Justice					
4.	Title:	Virginia	Sexual and Do	mes	tic Violence	Local	Program Center

5. Summary:

The proposed legislation directs the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to establish a Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Local Program Center. The function of the center would be to establish voluntary accreditation standards and procedures for local sexual and domestic violence programs and to provide technical assistance and administrative support to those programs. In addition, the center would be authorized to provide additional assistance to the local programs, including accreditation assistance and training, resource material, and research into methods and procedures.

- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications:

DCJS currently provides all of the services to local sexual and domestic violence programs that are set out in the proposed legislation, except for the development of accreditation standards. If additional resources are needed to carry out the provisions of the legislation, federal grant funds are available. Accordingly, the legislation is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the agency.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Criminal Justice Services Local sexual and domestic violence programs

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: Identical to HB 2092.

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