

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB492

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Surovell, S.

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA); limitation on exemption for certain criminal files.

5. Summary: Limits the application of the criminal investigative file exemption by providing that nothing in FOIA shall be construed to authorize the withholding of information from the records of completed unattended death investigations from immediate family members of the victim, provided that (i) such information is in a form that does not reveal the identity of persons supplying information or other individuals involved in the investigation and (ii) the immediate family members of the victim have been ruled as suspects.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: None.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia State Police and local law enforcement agencies

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 1/15/16