## Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1487		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Albo
- 3. Committee: House Committee for Courts of Justice
- 4. Title: Maximum number of circuit court judges; 19th Judicial Circuit.
- **5. Summary:** Reduces from 15 to 14 the maximum number of circuit court judges in the 19th Judicial Circuit (Fairfax, Fairfax County), effective July 1, 2018, or upon the death, resignation, or retirement of any judge of that court, whichever occurs later.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item 8)
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Under Virginia Code Section § 17.1-507, the 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit is authorized for a maximum of 15 circuit court judgeships. Currently, there are 14 funded and filled judgeships in the 19<sup>th</sup> Circuit.

The proposed legislation would reduce the maximum authorized judgeship total for the 19<sup>th</sup> down to 14 authorized judgeships. The proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on court system resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts

## 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None