Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB1772	
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	Second House	☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Michael P. Mullin
3.	3. Committee: General Laws	
4.	Title:	Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council; advisory opinions; evidence in civil proceeding.
5.	• Summary: Provides that any officer, employee, or member of a public body alleged to have willfully and knowingly violated the Virginia Freedom of Information Act who acted in good faith reliance upon an advisory opinion issued by the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council may introduce such advisory opinion as evidence that the alleged violation was not made willfully and knowingly. The bill contains technical amendments. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.	
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.	
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.	
8.	Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact is expected to state agencies.	
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council; The Division of Legislative Services; All public bodies or entities with a public record.	
10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.		

11. Other Comments: