

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2278

<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:** Cole

**3. Committee:** Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Police and court records; expungement of records, absolute pardon.

**5. Summary:** The bill provides for the automatic expungement of the police and court records relating to a person's conviction if he has been granted an absolute pardon for a crime that he did not commit. Under current law, the person granted the absolute pardon must petition the court for an order of expungement. The bill requires the Secretary of the Commonwealth to forward a copy of any absolute pardon to the circuit court where the person was convicted of the crime for which the absolute pardon was granted.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** None.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill presents no fiscal impact to the Commonwealth.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Secretary of the Commonwealth; local courts.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.