

Department of Planning and Budget

2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2507

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Danica A. Roem

3. Committee: General Laws, Subcommittee #4

4. Title: Office of the Attorney General; FOIA Ombudsman; powers and duties; report.

5. Summary: Requires the Attorney General to appoint a Virginia Freedom of Information Act Ombudsman (Ombudsman) to promote compliance by state agencies with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The bill outlines the powers and duties of the Ombudsman and provides for the Ombudsman to submit by November 30 of each year a report on his activities and policy recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2019			
2020	\$431,118	3	GF
2021	\$431,118	3	GF
2022	\$431,118	3	GF
2023	\$431,118	3	GF
2024	\$431,118	3	GF
2025	\$431,118	3	GF

8. Fiscal Implications: The Attorney General and Department of Law (OAG) indicates that this bill will require the addition of 1 senior level attorney, 1 junior level attorney, and 1 paralegal staff, costing \$431,118.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Attorney General and Department of Law

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: