

**Department of Planning and Budget
2020 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB304H1

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

2. Patron: Hope

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Guardianship and conservatorship petitions; identifying characteristics of the respondent.

5. Summary: Provides that a petition for the appointment of a guardian, a conservator, or both must include a statement as to whether the respondent may pose a threat of harm to himself or to others. If such a statement is included in the petition, it must further include the sealed filing of the respondent's sex, height, weight, hair color, eye color, and state of birth. The clerk of the court must forward (i) the respondent's name, date of birth, place of residence or location, post office address, and the sealed filing of the respondent's social security number or (ii) if the petition included a statement that the respondent may pose a threat of harm to himself or to others, the sealed filing of the respondent's sex, height, weight, hair color, eye color, and state of birth to the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE), on a form provided by the Exchange, as soon as practicable, but no later than the close of business on the following business day.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See below.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation requires certain identifying information pertaining to the respondent of a petition for the appointment of a guardian, conservator, or both who may pose a threat of harm to himself or others to be included on such petition. The clerk of court must forward such information to the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE), on a form provided by the Exchange.

The Department of State Police (VSP) operates and maintains the CCRE, which is the repository for all criminal records in the Commonwealth. According to VSP, there is no anticipated fiscal impact on agency operations as result of the provisions of this bill.

The proposed legislation is not anticipated to have a material fiscal impact on the Courts.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of State Police and Courts.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.