

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2023 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1654

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed

**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Price

**3. Committee:** House Committee on Public Safety

**4. Title:** Civilian deaths in custody

**5. Summary:** The proposed bill requires every law-enforcement agency and correctional facility to report to the Department of Criminal Justice Services certain information regarding the death of any person who is detained, under arrest or in the process of being arrested, en route to be incarcerated, incarcerated, or otherwise in the custody of such law-enforcement agency or correctional facility.

The bill provides that any law-enforcement agency or correctional facility that fails to comply may, at the discretion of the Department, be declared ineligible for state grants or funds. The bill also requires the Department to analyze the submitted data to (i) determine the means by which such information can be used to reduce the number of such deaths and (ii) examine the relationship, if any, between the number of such deaths and the actions of management of such law-enforcement agencies and correctional facilities.

Finally, the bill requires the Director of the Department to annually report the findings and recommendations resulting from the analysis and interpretation of the data to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Attorney General beginning on or before July 1, 2024, and each July 1 thereafter.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 406

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary (see Item 8 below)

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of Criminal Justice Services (“DCJS”), the agency would need 1 FTE and funding to cover data infrastructure costs to meet the requirements of the proposed bill. The total annual estimated fiscal impact is \$223,000 which includes \$100,000 for data infrastructure maintenance costs and \$123,000 (salary and benefits) for 1 FTE.

According to the Office of the State Inspector General, the Virginia State Police and the Virginia Lottery, the proposed bill is not expected to have a material fiscal impact.

The fiscal impact on local law enforcement agencies cannot be determined at this time.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Office of the State Inspector General, Virginia Lottery, Virginia State Police, local law enforcement agencies.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None