

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB928

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Hashmi

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Claims; Michael Haas; compensation for wrongful incarceration.

5. Summary: Provides relief in the amount of \$1,530,653 to Michael Haas, who was wrongly convicted of forcible sodomy.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes; Item 277 of HB 1400/SB 800. Budget amendment 277 #2s passed the Senate and amendment 277 #1h passed the House, which cover associated costs and provide language.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final; see Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill provides relief in the amount of \$1,530,653 for Mr. Michael Haas. This is consistent with the amount that the Department of the Treasury has calculated that Mr. Haas would be eligible for based upon the methodology in § 8.01-195.11, Code of Virginia, and the information it has received regarding dates of incarceration and expenses eligible for reimbursement. This amount includes a \$15,000 transition assistance grant.

The bill provides that Mr. Haas shall receive a transition assistance grant of \$15,000 from the Criminal Fund and any amount received as a transition assistance grant shall be deducted from other relief provided. Language is usually provided in the budget to direct this amount to be repaid to the Criminal Fund, as is provided in the budget amendments that passed the House and Senate (277 #1h and 277 #2s).

This bill also provides that Mr. Haas may receive career and technical training from the Virginia Community College System (VCCS), free of tuition charges, up to a maximum of \$10,000. This can be absorbed by VCCS within existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of the Treasury, Virginia Community College System, Supreme Court of Virginia

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to enrolled version of HB 1463.

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