Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1960 **Patron:** Bennett-Parker
Bill Title: Firearm transfers to another person from a prohibited person.

Bill Summary: This bill allows a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm because he or she is subject to a protective order or has been convicted of an assault and battery of a family or household member to transfer a firearm to any person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing such firearm, as long as that person is 21 years of age or older and does not reside with the person who is subject to the protective order.

The bill provides that such prohibited person who transfers, sells, or surrenders a firearm pursuant to the provisions of the bill must inform the clerk of the court of the name and address of the transferee, the federally licensed firearms dealer, or the law-enforcement agency in possession of the firearm and must provide a copy of such form to the transferee.

The bill also provides that a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm because he or she is subject to a protective order or has been convicted of an assault and battery of a family or household member must be advised that a law-enforcement officer may obtain a search warrant to search for any firearms from such person if such law-enforcement officer has reason to believe that such person has not relinquished all firearms in his possession.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** N/A
Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: According to the Virginia State Police (VSP) and the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court (OES), this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on agency operations. The impact this bill may have on local law enforcement is not known at this time.

Fiscal Analysis: None required

Other: This bill is companion to SB744.