Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB2502 **Patron:** Wiley
Bill Title: Virginia Freedom of Information Act; exclusions; Department of Workforce Development and Advancement.

Bill Summary: Excludes from the mandatory disclosure requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act certain information held by the Department of Workforce Development and Advancement (DWDA), which includes any information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including trade secrets, financial data, employee data, and other sensitive industry information protected by state or federal law, furnished by any private sector entity to DWDA for the purposes of sponsoring, implementing, and operating (i) an apprenticeship program approved by DWDA or (ii) a similar lawful workforce development or public-private partnership that assists DWDA in fulfilling its mission and objectives and whose workforce development initiative could not advance without such exemption.

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

Explanation: This bill involves DWDA; however, no budget action is required. See Fiscal Analysis section, below.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any costs DWDA may incur can be absorbed within existing resources.

Fiscal Analysis: This impact statement is preliminary. It is anticipated that DWDA can absorb any costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

Other: None.