

**Department of Planning and Budget
2025 General Assembly Session
State Fiscal Impact Statement**

Position Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>
Dept. of State Police	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	1	1	1	1	1	1

Fiscal Analysis: The bill requires the Superintendent of State Police to consult with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to determine whether other states meet the statutory qualifications for Virginia to recognize the concealed handgun permit of a person from another state. It also requires the Department of State Police (VSP) to maintain a registry of such states on the Virginia Criminal Information Network (VCIN), and to make the registry available to law-enforcement officers for investigative purposes. It also permits the Superintendent, in consultation with the Attorney General, to enter into agreements for reciprocal recognition with any state qualifying for recognition under the provisions.

If the intent of the proposed bill is for the VSP, which oversees the Concealed Weapons Program, to be responsible for continuously monitoring and evaluating changes in the laws of the other 49 states to make determinations as to the qualification for reciprocity, then the agency believes it may need funding to support a First Sergeant (Attorney). The estimated ongoing cost for this position is \$187,646 annually (salary and benefits). The agency believes it would need to hire this position in FY2025 to meet the reporting deadlines required by this legislation.

To the extent that VSP has to modify the VCIN system to meet the requirements of this legislation, the Governor’s proposed amended budget (HB1600/SB800) provides nongeneral fund appropriation for various modifications to the system. Should the legislation be enacted, it’s assumed that those changes could be included in a work order and absorbed within current resources.

Based on a preliminary review by the Office of the Attorney General, there is not expected to be a significant fiscal impact on the agency as a result of this legislation.

Other: None