

Department of Planning and Budget
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the rates of recidivism and homelessness among such veterans, provide such veterans with behavioral health resources to address the challenges of post-traumatic stress disorder, and refer eligible veterans to behavioral health dockets. Upon further review, the agency indicated that they would need one additional position for a Veteran Justice Specialist to implement this proposal and coordinate justice, support, and reentry services discussed above. The salary and benefit cost for the position is \$100,243 and \$13,499 in non-personnel costs, totaling \$113,742.

The bill also requires the agency to consult the Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs, Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia, and Department of Criminal Justice Services.

The Department of Corrections indicated that the agency already utilizes the VRSS system and the impact of the proposal would be minimal. The impact on the Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs, the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security and the Department of Criminal Justice Services is expected to be minimal and absorbable. The impact on Courts is indeterminate.

Other: HB2071 is a duplicative House Bill. Upon further review of the legislation, the agency believes that it will only need one position and the funding for that position at this time.