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Bill Number: HB2120H1 Patron: Maldonado

Bill Title: Seizure of property used in connection with or derived from financial exploitation of

vulnerable adults.

Bill Summary: The substitute bill provides that all money, equipment, motor vehicles, and other personal and real property of any kind or character that is used to promote or engage in or that is the subject of a violation of § 18.2-178.1 (Financial exploitation of vulnerable adults; penalty) shall be subject to seizure. Real property shall not be subject to seizure unless the minimum prescribed punishment for the violation is a term of imprisonment of not less than 12 months.

All seizures and forfeitures under this section shall be governed by Chapter 22.1 (§ 19.2-386.1 et seq., Commencing an action of forfeiture), and the procedures specified therein shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to all forfeitures under Article 9 (§ 18.2-246.1 et seq., Virginia Comprehensive Money Laundering Act) of Chapter 6 of Title 18.2, except that (i) in addition to existing procedures for service of process, such service may also be satisfied by certified mail, return receipt requested, and (ii) all money, equipment, motor vehicles, and other personal and real property seized in the course of the prosecution for such offense shall be returned to the vulnerable adult or his estate upon a plea of guilty or a finding of facts sufficient for guilt.

Budget Amendment No Items N/A

Necessary: Impacted:

Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: The fiscal impact of the proposed bill is indeterminate.

Fiscal Analysis: The proposed legislation is likely to have a workload impact on law enforcement, Courts, and Commonwealth Attorneys, however, the extent of the impact cannot be determined at this time. Therefore, the cost associated with implementing this proposal is indeterminate.

Other: None