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

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Bill Number: HB2596 ER **Patron:** Rasoul

Bill Title: Appointment of guardian ad litem; child in need of services or supervision.

Bill Summary: The bill requires the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia (OES) to send notification to attorneys in the Commonwealth who are qualified as of July 1, 2025, for appointment as a guardian ad litem pursuant to § 16.1-266.1 of the Code of Virginia (establishes standard for guardians ad litem, etc.) that, if appointed to represent a child who is alleged to be a child in need of services or supervision in accordance with the provisions of § 16.1-266 of the Code of Virginia (governs appointment of counsel and guardian ad litem), such attorney should have familiarity with the statutes providing the dispositional alternatives available when a juvenile and domestic relations district court finds that a child is in need of services or supervision.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No Items Impacted: N/A

Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: According to OES, this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on Courts.

Fiscal Analysis: None required

Other: None