

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>	<u>FY2031</u>
Workers' Compensation Commission		\$2,375,000	\$2,205,000	\$2,205,000	\$2,205,000	\$2,205,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,375,000</b>	<b>\$2,205,000</b>	<b>\$2,205,000</b>	<b>\$2,205,000</b>	<b>\$2,205,000</b>

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2026 General Assembly Session  
State Fiscal Impact Statement**

**Position Impact:**

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Workers' Compensation Commission		2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>

**Fiscal Analysis:** The proposed legislation requires VWC to establish the Mass Violence Care Fund within the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund. The VWC projects that it would need two additional FTEs to administer the Fund. The estimated annual personnel cost is \$100,000 for each employee inclusive of salary and benefits. VWC estimates a one-time cost of \$170,000 to pay for changes to its claims automation system.

Furthermore, the proposed legislation requires the VWC to establish and conduct a public information program, create a Mass Violence Care Fund website to ensure extensive and continued publicity of the Fund. The public information program will include brochures, posters, and public service advertisements for television, radio, and print media. The VWC estimates that this public information program could cost up to \$2.0 million per year.

Additionally, this bill establishes the Mass Violence Care Fund Advisory Board (the Advisory Board) for the purpose of annually reviewing the general operation of the Fund and management of funds in the Fund. The Advisory Board shall have a total membership of five members that shall consist of five nonlegislative citizen members, each selected by a member of the Senior Leadership team of the Commission. Such members shall be selected from stakeholder groups, including victim services organizations, the Virginia Victims Fund, and the Victim/Witness Grant Program and Financial Services Office within the Department of Criminal Justice Services. Any such nonlegislative citizen members of the Advisory Board shall be citizens of the Commonwealth. The VWC estimates an annual cost of \$5,000 to pay for the per diems of four meetings each year.

The VWC indicates there is no appropriate nongeneral fund revenue source to cover administrative expenses. The current appropriation in Central Accounts for the Mass Violence Care Fund solely covers programmatic costs.

**Other:** This bill is nearly identical to the HB1711 substitute (2025 Session).