

Department of Planning and Budget
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Bill Number: HB126E

Patron: Callsen

Bill Title: Local, regional, and community correctional facilities; access to counsel for inmates.

Bill Summary: The engrossed bill requires the State Board of Local and Regional Jails to establish additional standards no later than January 1, 2027, to ensure access to legal counsel for inmates held in any local, regional, or community correctional facility and enumerates the standards that the Board shall include in such additional standards. The engrossed bill removed the requirement for the standards to include a process by which counsel can submit complaints of noncompliance to the Board of Local and regional Jails and procedures for the Board to address such complaints.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: See below.

Fiscal Summary:

According to the Virginia Indigent Defense Commission, this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact. According to the Department of Corrections, this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the Board of Local and Regional Jails.

Fiscal Analysis:

According to the Department of Corrections and Virginia Indigent Defense Commission, there are no anticipated fiscal impacts as a result of the bill. Any unanticipated costs that may arise from the bill are expected to be covered with existing resources.

Other: None.