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State Fiscal Impact Statement

charges that may be eligible for expungement. The Department of State Police (VSP) anticipates a fiscal impact on the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE) program.

According to the agency, there are approximately 400,000 records in the Department's Computerized Criminal History (CCH) system that would meet the criteria outlined in the bill. Based on the current staffing level of the CCRE Expungement Section, the agency is able to process approximately 5,600 expungements a year. It is unknown how many individuals will take advantage of this change to have their records expunged.

If ten percent of eligible individuals take advantage of expungement, the Department of State Police estimates it will need up to 24 additional employees and additional general fund support. This includes:

Twelve Senior Program Support Technicians at a salary and benefit cost of \$98,172 per employee for the expungement process;

Eight Program Support Technicians at a salary and benefit cost of \$90,394 per employee also for the expungement process;

Two fingerprint technicians for expungement of records in the Department's biometric system, at a salary and benefit cost of \$84,857 per employee; and,

Two Agency Management Analysts to oversee the additional 22 employees, at a salary and benefit cost of \$106,219.

Not included in this cost are the non-personnel costs per employee, estimated to be \$14,108 the first year and \$8,241 the second year and ongoing. The expungement process is currently a manual process. Once a portion of the process becomes automated, the number of additional personnel needed is indeterminate.

The agency estimates the cost to create an interface with Courts (similar to the sealing interface) as well as other changes to their IT systems is estimated to be \$1.5 million with ongoing costs of \$125,000.

VSP reports that they would be required by the Virginia Information Technology Agency (VITA), due to the scope of the project, to hire a contract project manager and a contract business analyst to oversee the project, at a one-time cost of \$350,000.

Any impact on the Courts is unknown at this time. This fiscal impact statement may be updated if additional information is provided by the Office of the Executive Secretary (OES) of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

Any impact on the Compensation Board as it relates to Clerks, Commonwealth Attorneys, and Sheriffs is unknown at this time. This fiscal impact statement may be updated if additional information is provided.

Other: None.