Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB364 H1 **Patron:** Carroll Foy
Bill Title: Safer communities; firearm violence intervention and prevention initiatives, report.

Bill Summary: The substitute bill directs the Department of Criminal Justice Services to convene a work group to develop policy and legislative recommendations to address firearm violence that shall consist of relevant stakeholders, including (i) the Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services; (ii) the Secretary of Health and Human Resources; (iii) at least one current or former member of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; (iv) at least one current or former member of the Senate, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; and (v) firearm safety advocates.

The work group shall report its findings and specific legislative and policy recommendations to the General Assembly by October 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** 1
Explanation: Additional one-time funding will be needed in fiscal year 2027 if current members of the House of Delegates or Senate are appointed to the work group.

Fiscal Summary: The substitute bill directs the Department of Criminal Justic Services (DCJS) to convene a work group that includes at least one current or former member of both the House of Delegates and the Senate. The total estimated cost for one current member of the House of Delegates and one current member of the Senate to participate in the work group is $1,200. It is not known at this time whether current or former members will be appointed to the work group, therefore the fiscal impact of the substitute bill is indeterminate.

Fiscal Analysis: The substitute bill requires the work group to include at least one current or former member of the House of Delegates and at least one current or former member of the Senate. If current members of the House and Senate are appointed, it is estimated that member compensation will be approximately $600 for one member of the House and $600 for one member of the Senate to attend two meetings of the work group (the average number of meetings a work group of this nature usually involves) and will be paid by the offices of the clerks of the House of Delegates and Senate of Virginia. Travel expenses are expected to be $1,588 to be paid by DCJS. It is expected that DCJS can absorb the anticipated travel expenses.

Other: None