Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1235ER **Patron:** Delaney
Bill Title: Clerks of circuit court; fees; online payment systems.

Bill Summary: The bill provides that if a clerk's office allows payment to occur via an already established online payment system for the collection of any one type of fee or cost, it shall offer such payment method for all restitution payments. The bill also directs the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia to convene a work group with all relevant stakeholders, to study the accessibility and modernization of court payment systems for any and all transactions conducted by and for the general district and circuit courts. The work group shall submit an executive summary and report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** None
Explanation: See below

Fiscal Summary: There is no anticipated fiscal impact as a result of this proposal at this time.

Fiscal Analysis: The Office of the Executive Secretary (OES) of the Supreme Court of Virginia indicated that the workgroup requirement of the bill does not create a material fiscal impact on Courts.

The impact on Clerks of the Circuit Court is unknown at this time.

Other: None.