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Wednesday, November 29, 2017
Pocahontas Building
Shared Committee Room
2:30 P.M.

MEETING AGENDA

****NOTE: PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN AFTER EACH STUDY TOPIC***

I. CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 30, 2017, MINUTES

Delegate Robert B. Bell, Chairman

II. DNA DATABANK: EXPANSION OF MISDEMEANOR CRIMES

Christina Barnes Arrington, Ph.D., Sr. Methodologist, Virginia State Crime Commission

The Crime Commission was requested to study the possibility of expanding the number of misdemeanor crimes that require a DNA sample from convicted defendants. Staff reviewed current laws, both in Virginia and other states that collect misdemeanor samples, examined relevant data relating to misdemeanor samples in Virginia's DNA Databank, and completed a criminal history analysis of individuals convicted of a violent felony and/or certain burglary offense.

III. PRETRIAL SERVICES IN VIRGINIA

Colin L. Drabert, Sr. Staff Attorney, Virginia State Crime Commission

Christina Barnes Arrington, Ph.D., Sr. Methodologist, Virginia State Crime Commission

The Crime Commission was referred HB 774 and 776 during the 2016 Session of the General Assembly. In 2016 and 2017, staff was requested to conduct a comprehensive study on the use of pretrial services in Virginia for individuals arrested for a felony or misdemeanor. Staff focused its research on the mission of pretrial service agencies in Virginia, reviewed current laws in Virginia, and analyzed available statewide data. An *Overview of Pretrial Services* was presented to members by the Department of Criminal Justice Services at the December 2016 Commission meeting.

IV. ANNUAL ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Delegate Robert B. Bell, Chairman

V. ADJOURNMENT

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Next Meeting: Monday, December 4th at 10:00 a.m., House Committee Room, Pocahontas Building, Richmond.