

## Department of Motor Vehicles 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** SB305

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed

**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron** Williams

**3. Committee** Transportation

**4. Title** Vehicle classifications and endorsements; school buses.

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Vehicle classifications and endorsements; school buses. Requires certain school bus operators to obtain a school bus endorsement.

**6. No Fiscal Impact :** See Item 8 below.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:**

Under current Virginia law (§ 46.2-339), the operator of a school bus must obtain a commercial driver's license (CDL) with the applicable classifications and endorsements, if the school bus he drives is a commercial motor vehicle as defined under § 46.2-341.4. However, current state law (§ 46.2-341.16) does not list the operation of a school bus as a specific CDL endorsement.

The federal regulations for implementing the provisions of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act (49 C.F.R. Part 383.93) require that states create a type "S" endorsement. This proposal would amend Virginia law to specifically list the type "S" endorsement and meet federal regulatory requirements.

This legislation would not change current DMV procedures regarding the testing and licensure of school bus drivers, and would have no impact on school bus drivers in the Commonwealth. Since the proposal only codifies existing DMV procedures and requirements, there is no fiscal impact on the agency.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** None.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** None.

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