Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	mber: SB707						
	House of Origi	in X	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed	
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled	
2.	Patron:	Normen	t					
3.	Committee:	Transpo	ortation					

4. Title: Board for Towing and Recovery Operators.

- **5. Summary:** This bill postpones until July 1, 2010, the effective date of any regulations promulgated by the Board, the requirement that tow truck operators have tow truck driver authorization documents issued by the Board, and the requirement that towing and recovery services have and display licenses issued by the Board. The bill also alters composition of the Board. Regulations recommended by the Board shall be presented to the Senate and House Transportation Committees for their consideration during the 2009 General Assembly session.
- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary.
 - **6b.** Revenue Impact:

Fiscal Year	Dollars	Positions	Fund
2008	-	-	-
2009	(\$350,000)	-	NGF
2010	-	=	_

- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** The regulations promulgated by the Board for Towing and Recovery Operators were due to be effective July 1, 2008. Since the inception of the Board, operations in fiscal years 2007 and 2008 have been supported by an annual \$350,000 treasury loan. Operations and loan repayment were to be supported in fiscal years 2009 and 2010 by the revenues generated through licensing fees.

This bill will delay the effective date of the regulations, postponing revenue collections until fiscal year 2010. However, funding would still be required to support Board activities and to begin repayment of the treasury loan during fiscal year 2009.

The change in Board composition will have no fiscal impact.

- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Board of Towing and Recovery Operators, Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of the Treasury.
- 10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: In light of the merger with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) proposed in the introduced budget and HB 1202 and unless other resources are provided until revenues begin, the likelihood exists that DMV would have to absorb the expenses of the Board until such time as it could be self sufficient.

This bill is similar to HB 1296.

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