

Department of Planning and Budget

2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB 323

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
 Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron C. Saxman

3. Committee House Courts of Justice

4. Title Elimination of Costs for Prepayable Traffic Infractions

5. Summary/Purpose: Eliminates the payment of costs where the fine for a minor criminal offense or a traffic infraction is prepaid.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary

Revenue Impact: See Item 8

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2008-09	-\$39,200,000	N/A	See item 8
2009-10	-\$39,200,000	N/A	See item 8
2010-11	-\$39,200,000	N/A	See item 8
2011-12	-\$39,200,000	N/A	See item 8
2012-13	-\$39,200,000	N/A	See item 8
2013-14	-\$39,200,000	N/A	See item 8

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: According to the Supreme Court, the elimination of the collection of court costs for prepaid traffic infractions (§16.1-69.40:1) and prepaid Class 3 and Class 4 misdemeanors (§16.1-69.40:2) would have an estimated impact of \$39.2 million per year on various Commonwealth revenues as follows:

Traffic Infractions:

Processing fee (general fund) -	\$28,204,486
Drug Enforcement Jurisdiction Fee	\$ 3,796,759
Victim Witness Fee	\$ 1,265,586
Local Training Academy	\$ 72,317
Domestic Violence Fund	\$ 1,446,395
Courthouse Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,446,395

Misdemeanors:

Processing fee (general fund) -	\$ 1,968,187
Drug Enforcement Jurisdiction Fee	\$ 295,228
Victim Witness Fee	\$ 98,409

Local Training Academy	\$ 56,232
Domestic Violence Fund	\$ 112,468
Courthouse Maintenance Fund	\$ 112,468
Criminal Injury Compensation Fund	\$ 337,404

TOTAL Traffic Infractions and Misdemeanors:

Processing fee (general fund) -	\$30,172,673
Drug Enforcement Jurisdiction Fee	\$ 4,091,988
Victim Witness Fee	\$ 1,363,996
Local Training Academy	\$ 128,550
Domestic Violence Fund	\$ 1,558,864
Courthouse Maint Fund	\$ 1,558,864
Criminal Injury Compensation Fund	\$ 337,405

TOTAL: \$39,212,340 (ANNUAL)

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Courts, Department of Criminal Justice Services, Workers Compensation Commission

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None.

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