## Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

	House of Orig	gin	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	<b>Second House</b>	<u> </u>	In Committee		Substitute	X	Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Rust					
3.	Committee:	Passed Both Houses					
١.	Title:	Administrative impoundment of motor vehicles; when driving without an operator's license.					

- **5. Summary:** Provides for the administrative impoundment of motor vehicles when driving without an operator's license. Also, any person who knowingly authorizes the operation of a motor vehicle by a person who he knows has no operator's license and who he knows has been previously convicted of driving a motor vehicle without an operator's license in violation of § 46.2-300 or a substantially similar ordinance of any county, city or town, or law in any other jurisdiction shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final.

1. Bill Number: HB513-ER

- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Although insufficient data exists to determine the fiscal impact due to the legislation at this time, a Class 1 misdemeanor could result in an increase in the jail population since a Class 1 misdemeanor can result in a sentence of up to 12 months in jail (and \$2,500 fine). Any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth currently pays the localities \$8.00 a day for each misdemeanant or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail. It also funds most of the jails' operating costs, e.g. correctional officers. The state's share of these costs on a per prisoner, per day basis varies from locality to locality. However, according to the Compensation Board's FY2008 Jail Cost Report (November 1, 2009), the estimated total state support for local and regional jails averaged \$32.66 per state inmate, per day in FY 2008.
- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Local and regional jails, general district courts statewide.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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