

## Department of Planning and Budget

### 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB127

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

**2. Patron:** Newman

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Hybrid electric motor vehicles; repeals annual license tax, refunds.

**5. Summary:** This bill repeals the \$64 annual license tax on hybrid electric motor vehicles that was first imposed beginning July 1, 2013. The bill also provides for refunds of the license tax paid on hybrid electric motor vehicles for registration years beginning on or after July 1, 2014.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final. See Item #8.

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2014	\$102,760	-	Motor Vehicle Special Fund

**7b. Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
		<b>REFUND</b>
2015	(\$2,200,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund

**REVENUE IMPACT**

2015	(\$6,900,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2016	(\$7,800,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2017	(\$8,800,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2018	(\$9,800,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2019	(\$10,700,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2020	(\$10,700,000)	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill repeals the \$64 annual license tax on hybrid electric motor vehicles imposed by HB 2313, effective July 1, 2013. The bill provides for refunds of the license tax paid on hybrid electric motor vehicles for registration years beginning on or after July 1, 2014. The refund impact assumes all registrations purchased in FY 2014 would not be multi-year registrations and is based on the proration for the unused months of registration. Since the tax was implemented on July 1, 2013, 75,500 drivers have paid a licensing tax for hybrid vehicles.

To implement the provisions of the proposed legislation, the Department of Motor Vehicles will incur a one-time information technology cost of \$102,760, which would be absorbed within existing resources.

Because road construction funding is impacted by the amount of funding available to maintain roads, the reduction in highway maintenance and operating funding will negatively impact the total amount of funding available for future road and bridge construction.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** This bill is a companion to HB975ER.

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C: Secretary of Transportation