## Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB2220
	House of Origin
	Second House
2.	Patron: O'Quinn
3.	Committee: Transportation
4.	Title: Special license plate; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
5.	<b>Summary:</b> This bill creates a special license plate for persons awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or for unremarried surviving spouses of such persons.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Because this bill waives all fees for the proposed license plates, it represents a potential revenue loss for several agencies. However, the impact will be determined by the number of applicants actually requesting the new license plates. Current special license plate registration fees for most vehicles are \$50.75. Each issuance of the proposed plates would result in a loss of these fees, which support the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Virginia Department of Transportation, Virginia State Police, and emergency medical services agencies.

DMV is currently unable to estimate the number of individuals who would be eligible to receive these new plates. However, the agency expects that total to be low. Even at a low issuance, the bill does not limit the number of plates an individual may request at no fee, which could increase the revenue that would be lost.

This bill also waives the statutory requirement of 450 prepaid applications, the money from which is used by DMV to cover the development and initial production of new license plates. DMV would absorb these costs for these plates.

The staff hours required to implement the bill can be accomplished during the normal work schedules for DMV employees, given current workloads. DMV would be able to absorb this cost within its existing resources, assuming other legislative proposals with fiscal impacts to DMV are not passed. DMV's current fiscal outlook precludes funding the cumulative burden of implementing the programming and staffing requirements of multiple pieces of legislation without improved revenue streams.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Motor Vehicles, Virginia Department of Transportation, Virginia State Police, and emergency medical services agencies.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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Cc: Secretary of Transportation