

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2023 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1085

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed

**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Ebbin

**3. Committee:** Transportation

**4. Title:** Motor vehicle exhaust systems; aftermarket amplifying devices; inspections.

**5. Summary:** Prohibits the sale and use of devices designed to create or amplify noise emitted from a motor vehicle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter to a level higher than that of the originally manufactured vehicle and requires motor vehicle inspection regulations to include compliance with such requirements. The bill creates a noise limit of 85 decibels as measured from a distance of 50 feet that a motor vehicle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter may emit.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes. Item 430.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary (see Item 8).

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of State Police (VSP), the enforcement of the noise limitation proposed in the bill is expected to have a fiscal impact of \$138,000 the first year and \$69,000 the second year to purchase decibel meters for the enforcement of the noise limitation. The year one cost is based on equipping all 1200 state troopers with a decibel meter, which costs \$115 per unit. The year two cost is based on required annual certification of the decibel meters for evidential purposes.

It is anticipated that this proposal will have a fiscal impact on local law enforcement agencies, however there is not enough information to estimate the amount it will cost each local law enforcement agency.

Information from the Department of Motor Vehicles on the fiscal impact of the required change to motor vehicle inspection regulations is still pending. The fiscal impact statement will be updated if necessary.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State and local law enforcement agencies, Department of Motor Vehicles.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.