

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB453

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Marsden

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Emissions inspections; fees; agreement for services and interchange fees.

5. Summary: Increases from \$3,500 to \$5,000 the amount the emissions inspection program coordinator may be paid per year from each motor vehicle emissions inspection station for the provision and maintenance of each set of required equipment. The bill also allows such emissions inspection stations and on-road emissions inspectors to charge a credit card interchange fee that does not exceed five percent of the emissions inspection fee and that is not included in the maximum amount that may be charged for the emissions inspection fee.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) anticipates a non-immediate, indeterminate nongeneral fund impact as a result of this bill.

As statutorily authorized, DEQ utilizes a contracted entity to provide program coordination services. Costs tied to this contract are paid from the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program Fund. The emission inspection stations contract with the contracted entity for required equipment and maintenance. Currently, the maximum amount to be paid is \$3,000 per year from each inspection station for each set of required equipment.

In the last five fiscal years, the year-end balance in the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program Fund has averaged \$9.31 million.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: SB453 and HB213 are companions.