

Department of Planning and Budget

2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1248-ER

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

2. Patron Hurt

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title HOV lanes; exemption for clean special fuel vehicles.

5. Summary/Purpose: By extending the "sunset" provision to 2007, the proposal continues to authorize the use of HOV lanes by vehicles bearing clean special fuel vehicle license plates. This bill also provides that all clean special fuel vehicle license plates issued after July 1, 2006, be issued with a new design distinctively different from the design of the previous plates. Also, on HOV lanes serving the I-95/395 corridor, only vehicles registered with and displaying clean special fuel vehicle license plates prior to July 1, 2006, shall be treated as vehicles displaying special license plates issued under this section. This bill also directs the Commissioner of DMV to develop procedures to ensure that all potential purchasers of clean special fuel vehicle license plates receive adequate notice of the benefits, risks and timelines required for the issuance of these plates. In addition, this bill raises the annual fee for clean special fuel vehicle license plates from \$10 to \$25, with funds being paid to the HOV Enforcement Fund for use by Virginia State Police for enhanced HOV enforcement. This bill also increases first and second offense fines in Planning District Eight to \$125 and \$250 respectively.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: FINAL; See item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: Neither the House nor Senate submitted budget amendments providing additional appropriation to support the increase in revenue generated by this proposal. However, a budget amendment is not required since nongeneral fund appropriation can be administratively adjusted.

This proposal is expected to generate \$127,725 from license plate sales for state troopers working HOV enforcement. This revenue will support about 2,943 hours of state trooper overtime.

The proposal also increases fines for the first and second offenses that occur within the boundaries of Planning District Eight. The first offense is increased by \$75 and the second offense increases by \$50. It is expected that \$1.4 million will be generated by these increases. All revenue generated by fines is deposited to the Literary Fund.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of State Police and
Department of Motor Vehicles

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: Identical to SB454-ER

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cc: Secretary of Public Safety
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