Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

Revised (See Item 8)

1. Bill Number HB 2007

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	Second House	e 🗌 In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled
2.	Patron	Callahan		

- 3. Committee Transportation
- 4. Title Line of Duty Disability Benefits Fund
- 5. Summary/Purpose: The bill would require that the Commonwealth impose as a taxable cost a levy of \$50 upon any person convicted of operating a motor vehicle, engine, train or watercraft while impaired when such operation is the proximate cause of an accident or incident; reckless driving when such reckless driving is the proximate cause of an accident or incident; driving without a license or driving with a suspended or revoked license; and for improperly leaving the scene of an accident. Any amounts collected under these provisions would be deposited into the Line of Duty Disability Benefits Fund.
- 6. Fiscal impact: Based on FY 2005 information from the Department of Motor Vehicles, DPB estimates that there would be approximately 200,000 convictions annually for the offenses listed in the bill. If \$50 were to be paid for each conviction, then about \$10.0 million would be deposited into the Line of Duty Disability Benefits Fund on an annual basis.
- **7. Budget amendment necessary:** Yes; Item 262 (Department of Accounts Transfer Payments).
- 8. Fiscal implications: See Item 6. Also, Item 262 B. of Chapter 3 (Appropriation Act) has already established the Line of Duty Death and Health Benefits Trust Fund. The Fund is a trust fund managed by the Virginia Retirement System as required for Other Post Employment Benefit reporting requirements.
- **9.** Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Accounts; Department of Accounts Transfer Payments.
- 10. Technical amendment necessary: No.
- **11. Other comments:** This bill is similar to SB 1160. Other bills for consideration by the General Assembly that impose assessments on vehicle operators for certain driver offenses include HB 2817, HB 2376, HB 2257, SB 1159, SB 1220, and SB 1196.

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