

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2007 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**Revised (See Item 8)**

**1. Bill Number** HB 2817

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

**2. Patron** Sickles

**3. Committee** Committee Referral Pending

**4. Title** Line of Duty Disability Fund

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The bill would create the Line of Duty Disability Fund to pay the costs of the continued health insurance coverage benefit under the Line of Duty Act. Under the provisions of the bill, an assessment of \$50 would be imposed for 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 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 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; Department of the Treasury.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** Yes. The bill provides that the Line of Duty Disability Fund is to be created in the Department of the Treasury. However, funding for Line of Duty Act payments is included in the appropriation for the Department of Accounts Transfer Payments.

**11. Other comments:** This bill is identical to HB 2008, SB 1159, and SB 1220 as introduced. Other bills for consideration by the General Assembly that impose assessments on vehicle operators for certain driver offenses include HB 2376, HB 2257, and SB 1196.

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