

Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB3152

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Callahan

3. **Committee:** Transportation

4. **Title:** Vehicle registration fees.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill increases vehicle registration fees, removes certain fees based on weight, and dedicates the proceeds to transportation purposes.

6. **Fiscal impact estimates are preliminary.**

6b. Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2006-07	-	-	-
2007-08	\$90.3 million	-	NGF
2008-09	\$90.3 million	-	NGF
2009-10	\$122.2 million	-	NGF
2010-11	\$122.2 million	-	NGF
2011-12	\$122.2 million	-	NGF
2012-13	\$122.2 million	-	NGF

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** Yes, Item 444.

8. **Fiscal implications:** This bill would raise the base registration fee on passenger cars, motorcycles, small trucks, and sport utility vehicles (SUVs) by \$15, effective July 1, 2007, and by another \$5 on July 1, 2009. The current total registration fee for cars/small trucks/SUVs is \$29.50 and \$34.50 for those weighing more than 4,000 pounds. While the fee has been raised several times since 1986, the fee increases have been directed to local emergency operations and the Jamestown 2007 celebration.

Under the provisions of this bill, Virginia's registration fee would be \$44.50 and beginning in FY 2010, \$49.50. Comparatively:

- Maryland's fees range from \$128 to \$180
- Pennsylvania's fee is \$36
- District of Columbia's fees range from \$72 to \$155
- North Carolina's fees are \$28, with additional local fee
- West Virginia's fee is \$30.

The revenues generated by the fee increase would be dedicated to the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Motor Vehicles, Virginia
Department of Transportation.

10. Technical amendment necessary: Consideration might be given to amending subparagraphs 1 and 2 to reflect an increase for both weight classes of private passenger cars by \$15 from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009 and \$20 after July 1, 2009.

11. Other comments: The fourth enactment of the bill specifies that the revenue will be used solely for transportation purposes. The fifth enactment has the provisions of this bill expire on December 31 of any year in which the General Assembly appropriates any revenues from it to a non-transportation purpose.

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