

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2542

House of Origin	<u>X</u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Valentine

3. Committee: Transportation

4. Title: “Move-over” law.

5. Summary: Expands the class of stationary vehicles for which motorists must, if safe to do so, move left by providing a new definition of “emergency vehicle”. Violations of this provision is a Class 1 misdemeanor with a maximum penalty of up to 12 months in jail and up to a \$2,500 fine.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: PRELIMINARY.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: Although insufficient data exists to determine the fiscal impact due to the legislation at this time, the legislation could result in an increase in the jail population. Any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth pays the localities \$8.00 a day for each misdemeanant or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail. It also funds most of the jails’ operating costs, e.g. correctional officers. The state’s share of these costs on a per prisoner, per day basis varies from locality to locality. However, according to the Compensation Board’s most recent FY2007 Jail Cost Report (November 1, 2008), the estimated total state support for local jails averaged \$28.77 per inmate, per day in FY 2007.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Law enforcement agencies statewide, State Compensation Board, local and regional jails.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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