Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

•	Bill Number:	SB949					
	House of Origin	X	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled

2. Patron: Howell

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Organ donation; Virginia Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund.

- 5. Summary: This bill changes the name of the Virginia Transplant Council Education Fund to the Virginia Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund, and requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish a procedure for driver's license applicants to voluntarily contribute to the Fund. Also makes technical corrections to make certain sections consistent with the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act.
- **6. Fiscal impact estimates:** Preliminary.
 - 6a. Expenditure impact:

Fiscal Year	Dollars	Positions	Fund
2009	-	-	-
2010	\$53,780	-	NGF
2011	-	-	-

- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** Modifications to mainframe computer programs at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to properly account for and disburse the monies collected for the Fund are estimated to cost \$44,820. There will be an additional cost of \$8,960 to have DMV's vendor make the necessary program changes to the remittance processor to properly account for the \$1 donation during the driver's license/identification mail-in renewal process.

There will be no fiscal impact for the Department of Taxation. The tax portion of the bill would change the voluntary contribution for the Virginia Transplant Council so that the monies collected off of the individual income tax returns would go to the Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund. However, the Virginia Transplant Council is no longer on the individual income tax return because it failed to receive the required \$10,000 amount.

- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Virginia Transplant Council, Department of Taxation, Department of Motor Vehicles.
- 10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: Available space on both the original and renewal applications is severely limited. Adding this information to the driver's license/identification card application and renewal notice may crowd the forms, making them difficult to read. The information will also have to be added to the DMV Preferred Services (renewal by Internet and Touchtone telephone). In addition, all changes to these applications and processes must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Justice for preclearance (approval) under the provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1995 (Motor Voter). The preclearance process adds at least 3 months to the implementation of changes to the forms and processes.

Passage of this bill would set a precedent for other organizations to view the DMV application process as a fund raising mechanism.

Collecting this fee may impact DMV's transaction and wait times at its Customer Service Centers (CSCs) and Customer Call Centers (CCCs). During FY 2008, DMV had an average transaction time of about 8 minutes and an average wait time of about 18 minutes for transactions at its CSCs. According to a 2004 University of Virginia study, the collection of a fee by CSC staff takes about a minute. Based on this study, DMV estimates that collecting the contribution will add about a minute to applicable driver license and ID transactions, and may increase the overall wait time at the CSCs.

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