

## Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1688

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Minchew

**3. Committee:** Committee Referral Pending

**4. Title:** State Comptroller; deposit of fines and fees for violation of local ordinances.

**5. Summary:** Requires the State Comptroller to transmit all fees and fines for violation of county, city, or town ordinances that are not required by law to be recovered by the State Comptroller to the treasury of the county, city, or town whose ordinances were violated no later than 60 days after such fines and fees have been collected from the district courts. The bill also requires the transmittal to be accompanied by an accounting of all local fees and fines collected by district courts.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, §3-6.05; See Items 10 and 11.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** No state fiscal impact.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Accounts, Virginia District Courts, all localities

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** Since similar language already exists in §3-6.05 of the Appropriation Act, the proposed legislation would be superseded upon enactment of the 2015 Appropriation Act.

**11. Other Comments:** The process described in the proposed bill is already in place per §3-6.05, Chapter 3, Special Session I, 2014 Acts of Assembly. The proposed legislation would require the transfer to localities to occur within 60 days of collection. The Appropriation Act requires the transfer to localities to occur within 60 days of collection and being recorded in CARS. The Department of Accounts indicates that it is unable to make a remittance to the locality until the deposit is recorded in CARS by the District Court of collection.

The current provisions in the Appropriation Act also require DOA, the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court, and the District Courts to provide a complete accounting of when the

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local fees and fines were collected. DOA is unable to provide this accounting on its own, as it requires information from the District Courts where the fines and fees are collected.

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