

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1824

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" 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:** Ward

**3. Committee:** Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Unlawful provision of examination answers

**5. Summary:** This bill provides that receiving or furnishing any assistance with or information purporting to be answers to questions intended to be used by the Department of Motor Vehicles in conducting an examination is unlawful. Under current law, it is unlawful to receive or furnish written or printed material purporting to be answers to such questions.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See #8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The hours that may be needed for the information technology staff to implement the legislation can be accomplished during the normal work schedules.

Although insufficient data exists to determine the fiscal impact due to this proposal, the proposed legislation could result in an increase in the jail population since Class 2 misdemeanor outcomes result in sentences of up to 6 months in jail (and a fine up to \$1,000). Any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth presently pays the localities \$4.00 a day for each misdemeanant or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail. It also funds a significant portion 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 FY2013 Jail Cost Report (November 1, 2014), the estimated total state support for local and regional jails averaged \$30.54 per state inmate, per day in FY 2013.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Motor Vehicles, local jails.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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c: Secretary of Transportation