Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB2188						
	House of Origin	\boxtimes	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron: K	rupick	a				
3. Committee: Transportation							
4.	Title: Taxicabs; security cameras.						
5.	Summary: This bill requires every motor vehicle operating in the Commonwealth as a taxicab or performing a taxicab service to have an operational digital security camera system within the vehicle. The camera system shall be used any time the vehicle is in service. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall promulgate regulations regarding the use of such camera systems.						
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 433.						
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See #8.						
8.	Fiscal Implications: The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) law enforcement believes that implementing any regulations would require an inspection of taxicabs to ensure compliance. Such oversight could not be accomplished within current DMV staff levels, necessitating the hiring of additional personnel. There are 5,280 taxi cabs registered in Virginia. Additional staffing of 3-4 officers statewide would be required to enforce the provisions of the new regulations, in addition to responding to citizen complaints and investigations. The cost per officer for salary, benefits, and operating expenses (equipment, fuel, etc.) is \$85,424 annually, for a total estimated cost of \$256,272-\$341,696 annually. The agency does not have a revenue source to support these positions.						
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Motor Vehicles, multiple law enforcement agencies, all localities that have enacted taxicab ordinances.						
10.	Technical Amendment Necessary: No.						
11.	11. Other Comments: None.						

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