Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB/63						
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	Second House	\boxtimes	In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Freitas					
3.	Committee:	Appropr	riations				

- 4. Title: Local law enforcement and State Police; enforcement of federal regulations.
- **5. Summary:** The proposal prohibits local law enforcement or the Department of State Police from cooperating with a federal agency through the furnishing of police services for the purpose of enforcing a federal regulation that has not been made law by an act of Congress if the locality or the Department is conducting an active investigation of a violent crime.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8 below.
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** The Department of State Police (Department) believes that there could be a potential reduction or possible elimination of federal grants it receives to support various public safety initiatives as a result of the proposed bill.

Grants include funding for road safety enforcement initiatives from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and grants to support initiatives for improved record reporting to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) supported by the Office of Justice Program under the U.S. Department of Justice.

Additionally, some projects are funded through grants received from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to assist state public safety agencies in the deployment and the use of interoperable communications systems. This enables interoperability when responding to emergencies in a concerted effort among state and local agencies.

The Department also receives pass through grants from the U.S. Department of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) to supports efforts at targeting terrorism and other catastrophic events, and to help prepare and respond to national and state security threats. These UASI grants support the operations at the Virginia Fusion Center.

The proposal may also potentially impact law enforcement agencies. However, the impact on localities is indeterminate.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of State Police, and local law enforcement agencies.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.
- 11. Other Comments: None.

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