

Department of Planning and Budget

2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2385

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Lingamfelter

3. Committee: Committee for Courts of Justice

4. Title: Assessed court costs; electronic summons system.

5. Summary: This bill requires an additional assessment of \$5 as part of the costs, in any criminal or traffic case in which the Department of State Police issued the summons, ticket, or citation, executed the warrant, or made the arrest for a violation of any statute. The assessment would be collected by the clerk of the court in which the action is filed and then remitted to the state treasury to be placed in a fund for the Virginia State Police solely to fund equipment costs for the electronic summons system. Current law allows localities to assess such a sum.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate, See Item 8

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Fiscal Impact Estimates Are Preliminary

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of State Police, there are currently 15 jurisdictions participating in the electronic summons system and 42 localities have passed local ordinances to assess the electronic summons fee. The Department plans to pilot in a single jurisdiction and then expand within and eventually outside of the pilot jurisdiction as the pilot is evaluated and revenues allow growth.

Initial costs to implement the system include \$1,500 per vehicle and \$5,413 per mobile data terminal to run the program. Annual costs include printer rolls at \$100 per roll and annual replacement of mobile data terminals at \$5,413 per mobile data terminal. There is no way to accurately estimate the number of jurisdictions that will be added to the electronic summons system each year so the total cost cannot be determined. According to the Department, the revenue generated should permit the agency to recover implementation and operational costs for a gradual rollout of the electronic summons program.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of State Police, Clerks of the Court, localities

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None