

Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB672

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

2. Patron: Kilgore

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Suspension of license for unsatisfied judgments and after certain accidents

5. Summary: This bill repeals the suspension of license requirement for unsatisfied judgments and after certain accidents. The bill further provides that the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles shall return or reinstate any person's driver's license that was suspended solely for such purposes.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill would abolish the provisions of the Code of Virginia requiring driver's license suspension for unpaid judgments. Additionally, the bill requires Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to reinstate the driver's licenses of those who are suspended only for unpaid judgments.

Suspended drivers pay a \$145 reinstatement fee, of which \$100 goes to the Trauma Center Fund and \$45 goes to DMV. Drivers with multiple suspensions or revocations pay the \$145 reinstatement fee for the first order reinstated and a \$5 multiple order fee for each additional order. Based on FY 2017 reinstatements, DMV expects to lose approximately \$42,000 in reinstatement fee revenue each year and deposits to the Trauma Center Fund would decrease by approximately \$93,000 annually. Should this bill be the only bill passed with a fiscal impact to DMV, the agency would be able to absorb the cost. However, given DMV's current budgetary constraints, DMV is not able to absorb the impact of multiple bills without additional resources or cutting other services.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Motor Vehicles, Virginia Department of Health, courts.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Transportation