

## Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB206

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

2. **Patron:**    Diggs

3. **Committee:** Transportation

4. **Title:**    Installation, maintenance, and operation of devices in highway right-of-way for law-enforcement.

5. **Summary:** Authorizes the Department of State Police or the chief law-enforcement officer of a locality to install devices for law-enforcement purposes in the right-of-way of highways under state jurisdiction. The bill defines law-enforcement purposes as an active felony investigation, an effort to prevent a targeted act of violence, or an attempt to locate missing, endangered, or wanted persons by law enforcement through the identification of a motor vehicle and excludes from the definition the enforcement of speed limits, traffic laws, tolling requirements, or high-occupancy vehicle requirements. The bill authorizes entering into agreements with private entities for the maintenance and operation of such devices. The bill requires the data collected to be maintained for no more than 30 days following its collection and limits the data and information collected to data and information about (i) the make, model, condition, location, and color of a vehicle and the information on the vehicle's license plate and (ii) the date and time the data and information was collected. The provision also allows for \$1,000 civil penalty when any person or private entity violates the data and information collection and destruction requirements. It is expected that these penalties would be deposited to the state treasury.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 415.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see Item 8 below.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of State Police (VSP), the provisions of the proposal will require one additional full-time position to screen and process requests for data generated by license plate reader (LPR) systems. The position will be a Senior Program Support Technician with a total cost of \$100,765 (includes salary, fringe benefits, and IT hardware costs) the first year and \$100,283 ongoing starting the second year. The fiscal impact to the Virginia Department of Transportation is indeterminate.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State and local law enforcement agencies, local governments.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.