

## Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB632

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:** Carr

**3. Committee:** Transportation

**4. Title:** Exhaust systems; excessive noise.

**5. Summary:** Provides that no person shall operate a motor vehicle weighing 6,500 pounds or less with an exhaust system that emits noise in excess of 85 decibels, as measured from a distance of at least 50 feet, unless otherwise provided by law. The bill also adds the Richmond Regional Planning District to the list of local planning districts that may provide by ordinance that no vehicle may be operated within 500 feet of a residential district with an exhaust system that is not in good working order to prevent excessive noise. The bill also adds motor vehicles to the list of types of vehicles that may be in violation of such local ordinances.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes. Item 430.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8 below.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of State Police (VSP), the proposed legislation would require the agency to purchase decibel meters for all of its troopers so they can determine when an exhaust system noise violates the provisions of the bill. The total cost to purchase decibel meters to implement this legislation is \$53,000. VSP also estimates the agency will incur approximately \$750 annually in printing calibration forms related to this bill. The total annual estimated cost to VSP is \$53,750.

Any potential fiscal impact to localities or to local law enforcement agencies cannot be determined at this time.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of State Police, Localities, Local law enforcement agencies.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.