Department of Planning and Budget
2025 General Assembly Session
State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1622 **Patron:** Laufer
Bill Title: Firearm in unattended motor vehicle; civil penalty.

Bill Summary: Provides that no person shall leave, place, or store a handgun in an unattended motor vehicle, as defined in the bill, when such handgun is visible to any person who is outside such unattended motor vehicle. The bill provides that any person violating such prohibition is subject to a civil penalty of no more than $500 and that such unattended motor vehicle may be subject to removal for safekeeping.

Budget Amendment Necessary: **No** **Items Impacted:** **N/A**
Explanation: **N/A**

Fiscal Summary: There is an indeterminate amount of possible civil penalty revenue to the Literary Fund.

Fiscal Analysis: The bill provides that any person violating such prohibition is subject to a civil penalty of no more than $500 and such unattended motor vehicle may be subject to removal for safekeeping. Proceeds of all fines and penalties collected for offenses committed against the Commonwealth are paid into the state treasury to the credit of the Literary Fund. However, the number of convictions that may result or the amount of each fine that may be assessed under this legislation cannot be determined. Therefore, the impact of this bill cannot be determined.

Other: None