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

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Bill Number: HB2550EH1 Patron: Sullivan

Bill Title: Noise abatement monitoring systems; local authority; civil penalties.

Bill Summary: Authorizes counties and cities in Planning District 8 and 16 to place and operate noise abatement monitoring systems, defined in the bill, for the purpose of recording and enforcing exhaust system violations, also defined in the bill. The bill provides that the operator of a vehicle is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed \$100, but the violation shall not be reported on the driver's operating record or to the driver's insurance agency. Under the bill, the civil penalty will be paid to the locality in which the violation occurred to be used for the cost of administering the noise abatement monitoring system program and for transportation safety initiatives. The bill contains the same data privacy and storage requirements as are in current law for photo speed monitoring devices. The bill has an expiration date of July 1, 2027.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes **Items Impacted:** Item 415

Explanation: See below

Fiscal Summary: The Department of State Police anticipates additional costs related to the agency collecting information related to this proposal.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
Dept. of State Police		\$214,164	\$210,332			
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TOTAL		\$214,164	\$210,332			

Position Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
Dept. of State Police		1	1			
TOTAL		1	1			

Fiscal Analysis: This proposal requires the Department of State Police to aggregate information from localities that place and operate noise abatement monitoring systems, regarding the number of traffic violations prosecuted, the number of successful prosecutions and the total amount of monetary civil penalties collected.

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The agency then must report the aggregated information to the General Assembly. This bill has a sunset clause of July 1, 2027.

The Department of State Police estimates the agency will incur personnel and non-personnel expenses as a result of the legislation. The agency estimates it will need \$105,000 in general fund support for the IT development costs to create the data repository and cover its ongoing expenses. It is indeterminate how many localities currently utilize noise abatement monitoring systems. Dependent on the number of localities that utilize noise abatement monitoring systems that will have to report to the Department of State Police, the agency may need an Agency Management Analyst to manage the data collection, aggregation, and reporting. The estimated cost of the position in the first year is \$109,164 and \$105,332 in the second year.

Other: Since this proposal has an expiration date, there is only a cost in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.