

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: SB686ER

Patron: Suetterlein

Bill Title: Holding a handheld personal communications device while driving; driver improvement clinic.

Bill Summary: This bill clarifies that a court may order, for a first violation of texting and driving, the satisfactory completion of a driver improvement clinic in lieu of a conviction.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: There is no anticipated fiscal impact from the bill.

Fiscal Summary: According to the Office of the Executive Secretary (OES) of the Supreme Court of Virginia, there is no anticipated fiscal impact from the bill on the agency.

Fiscal Analysis: Any unanticipated costs that may arise from the bill are expected to be absorbable with existing resources.

Other: None.