

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

Senate Bill 409 (Senator Jimeno)

Judicial Proceedings

Vehicle Laws - Recording of Probation Before
Judgment Dispositions - Select Offenses

This bill requires the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) to maintain records on probation before judgment (PBJ) dispositions for all offenses under the Motor Vehicle Law that carry incarceration penalties. Under existing law, the MVA must keep such records only on PBJs for drunk and drugged driving offenses.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Potential indeterminate increase in computer programming costs.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: The MVA advises that computer programming expenditures could increase by an estimated \$10,000 to modify its computer programs to include records on PBJ dispositions as required by this bill. The Department of Legislative Services (DLS) advises that if other legislation is passed requiring computer reprogramming changes, economies of scale could be realized. This would reduce computer programming costs associated with this bill and other legislation affecting the MVA system. Further, DLS advises that the increased computer expenditure is simply an estimate and the MVA may be able to handle the changes with either less money than it estimates or existing resources.

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