



Senate

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Senate Bill No. 224

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The Committee on Planning and Development reported through SEN. COLEMAN of the 2nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF PARKING VIOLATIONS ON THE OPERATOR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 14-33 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2007*):

4 (c) On and after March 1, 1989, any municipality may participate in
5 a program administered by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to
6 facilitate the payment of fines for parking violations. If any such
7 municipality elects to participate in such program, it shall provide for a
8 notice of violation to be served personally upon the operator of a
9 motor vehicle who is present at the time of service. If the operator is
10 not present, the notice shall be served upon the owner of the motor
11 vehicle by affixing notice to said vehicle in a conspicuous place. In the
12 case of any motor vehicle that is leased or rented by the owner, not
13 more than thirty days after the initial notice of a parking violation for
14 which a fine remains unpaid at such time, a second notice of violation

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect
All Municipalities	Revenue Gain

Explanation

The bill allows owners of a leased or rented vehicle to notify a municipality of the identity of the person who leased or rented the vehicle at the time the ticket was issued. This bill is likely to result in an increase in collections of fines from parking violations because municipalities will have more accurate information on the person that committed the violation.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 224*****AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF PARKING VIOLATIONS ON THE OPERATOR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.*****SUMMARY:**

When a municipality issues a ticket for a parking violation, the law requires that it be served personally on the vehicle operator, if present, and, if not, affixed to the vehicle in a conspicuous place. If the fine remains unpaid 30 days after the initial notice of violation is issued and the vehicle is leased or rented, the law requires that a second notice be mailed to the address of record of the vehicle owner. No fines or penalties may accrue to the owner of a rented or leased vehicle for the violation for 60 days after the second notice is mailed.

This bill allows the owner of such a leased or rented motor vehicle who receives the second to notify the municipality of the identity of the person who leased or rented the vehicle at the time the ticket was issued. The municipality must then issue the notice of violation to the person who leased or rented the vehicle.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2007

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 34 Nay 0 (03/14/2007)

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/21/2007)