

## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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## **FISCAL NOTE**

**SENATE BILL: 921** 

PRINTER'S NO: 1266

**PRIME SPONSOR: Tomlinson** 

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2009/10	FY 2010/11
Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$0	\$0

## **OVERVIEW:**

Senate Bill 921 modifies the conditions imposed on the franchise relationship between new vehicle dealers and manufacturers to make it easier for dealers to add additional lines of vehicles and to require manufacturers to buy back more vehicles upon franchise termination.

The bill reduces the timeframe for manufacturers considering a request for dualing (when a new vehicle dealer sells two or more brands of vehicles in the same dealership facility) from 60 days to 45 days. It prohibits a manufacturer from requiring unreasonable expansions to a dealership facility of construction of a separate facility if not justified by market and economic conditions. Finally, the bill requires a manufacturer to repurchase any undamaged or unsold vehicle inventory within 18 months or for heavy-duty trucks, within the past two prior model years.

The bill takes effect in 60 days.

## **ANALYSIS:**

Passage of this bill would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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