



## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 746

PRINTERS NO. 731

PRIME SPONSOR: Roae

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2020/21	FY 2021/22
General Fund	See fiscal impact	See fiscal impact

**SUMMARY:** Eliminates future assignment of state-owned vehicles to members of the General Assembly.

**ANALYSIS:** HB 746 establishes the freestanding State-Owned Vehicle Assignment Limitation Act. Under the bill, members of the General Assembly may not be assigned a state-owned vehicle, and Commonwealth funds may not be used to lease a vehicle to or on behalf of a member of the General Assembly unless the Member's official duties require a vehicle assignment or lease of a vehicle for emergency purposes.

Members of the General Assembly assigned a vehicle or have a vehicle leased by the Commonwealth before the effective date of the Act may continue to use the vehicle until the individual is no longer a member of the General Assembly, relinquishes control of the vehicle, or is otherwise no longer eligible to use the vehicle. Members who have been assigned a state-owned vehicle or a vehicle leased by the Commonwealth before the effective date of this bill may not be assigned a different state-owned vehicle or a vehicle leased by the Commonwealth after the Member ceases using the assigned vehicle.

Effective Date: 60 days.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** According to information provided by the House Comptroller, in fiscal year 2019-2020, members of the House of Representatives leased 26 vehicles at an annual lease cost of approximately \$178,000. In addition to the lease costs, the Commonwealth also incurred approximately \$39,000 in associated fuel and maintenance costs. The Senate Comptroller has not provided similar information. As the leases end over time, the cost of the leases and associated costs to the Commonwealth will be replaced with mileage reimbursement costs. Any subsequent net savings would then be

determined by the decreased lease, fuel and maintenance costs compared to the increased mileage reimbursement costs.

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*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*