

# SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NO.** House Bill 2266

**PRINTER NO.** 3438

**AMOUNT**

See Fiscal Impact

**FUND**

General Fund  
Motor License Fund  
Judicial Computer System  
Augmentation Account  
Municipal Funds

**DATE INTRODUCED**

May 8, 2024

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Representative Tomlinson

**DESCRIPTION**

House Bill 2266 amends Title 75 (Vehicles) to provide for enhanced penalties for street racing.

This legislation amends Section 3367 (relating to racing on highways) to:

- Expand the scope of the section to include trafficways;
- Define and prohibit the act of “drifting”;
- Increase the fine for a first street racing violation from \$200 to \$500;
- Increase the fine for a subsequent street racing violation from \$200-\$1,000 to \$2,000;
- Provide for impoundment of the vehicle for six months for a subsequent street racing violation;
- Provide that an organizer of a street race shall be fined \$1,000 for each vehicle involved; and
- Provide that an organizer of a street race that results in serious bodily injury or death shall be guilty of a felony of the third degree.

This legislation also amends Section 6310 (relating to disposition of impounded vehicles, combinations and loads) to provide for the sale of unclaimed vehicles that are impounded under Section 3367.

This legislation is scheduled to take effect in 11 months.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Enactment of this legislation will increase fine amounts related to street racing violations and may result in additional fine revenue deposited into the Motor License Fund and the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account and paid to municipalities. Any increase in revenue will be dependent on the number of fines collected by the courts.

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Additionally, this legislation provides that a person convicted of organizing a street race that results in serious bodily injury or death commits a felony of the third degree and may be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of not more than seven years and/or be required to pay a fine not exceeding \$15,000. Using the Department of Corrections' minimum marginal cost of \$44.12 per inmate per day for less than 300 inmates, the Commonwealth will incur additional annual costs of approximately \$16,104 for each individual sentenced to a State Correctional Institution.