
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
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AB 1650 (Caloza) - Rental vehicles: law enforcement

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Urgency: No

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Policy Vote: JUD. 11 - 2, PUB. S. 5 - 1

Mandate: No

Consultant: Bob Franzoia

Bill Summary: AB 1650 would require any privately owned vehicle rented by, or furnished to, any federal, state or local law enforcement agency for use detaining, arresting, or transporting persons who have violated or are suspected of violating any law, to display a temporary decal displaying the agency name and logo

***** ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE *****

The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on August 13, 2026

Fiscal Impact: Up to \$1.4 million in FY 2025-27 and up to \$2.5 million annually to investigate and pursue civil action against the entity renting vehicle from the private owner for failure to comply with the display requirements of the bill.

Unknown, potentially significant costs to the courts to adjudicate new penalties depending on many unknowns, including the numbers of people charged and the factors unique to each case. An eight-hour court day costs approximately \$10,500 based on the hourly rate of court personnel including at minimum the judge, clerk, bailiff, court reporter, jury administrator, administrative staff, and jury per-diems. While the courts are not funded on a workload basis, an increase in workload could result in delayed court services and would put pressure on the General Fund to fund additional staff and resources. The FY 2026-27 Budget appropriated \$70 million General Fund for this purpose (Trial Court Trust Fund, General Fund).

Author Amendments:

- Strikes the exemption for an officer engaged in plainclothes operations who is employed by the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, the Office of Law Enforcement Support, the California Health and Human Services Agency, the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, the Natural Resources Agency, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Transportation Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency, the Government Operations Agency, or by any department, board, commission, or other entity within those agencies or the federal equivalent of these state agencies, and instead exempts all plainclothes officers.
- Make technical, clarifying changes.

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