

December 1, 2015

The Honorable Thomas K. Norment, Jr. Chairman, Committee for Courts of Justice Senate of Virginia

The Honorable Stephen D. Newman Chairman, Transportation Committee Senate of Virginia

The Honorable David B. Albo Chairman, Committee for Courts of Justice Virginia House of Delegates

The Honorable Thomas Davis Rust Chairman, Transportation Committee Virginia House of Delegates

Dear Chairman Norment, Chairman Newman, Chairman Albo, and Chairman Rust:

With the passage of SB 1411 in the 2015 legislative session, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia (OES) entered into a partnership to assist in the development of technology that would allow DMV to receive payment of any delinquent court fines and costs. In accordance with the second enactment clause of SB 1411, we submit to you the following report of our progress in this partnership.

Both DMV and the OES have worked cooperatively over the last five months to establish a framework to provide Virginians with the convenience of paying delinquent court fines and costs at DMV. This service will provide a convenient method for DMV customers to pay fines and costs without going to the local court and then returning to DMV at a later date to complete the DMV transaction. The service will also benefit the Commonwealth by providing additional opportunities and resources for the collection of delinquent fines and costs.

Coordinating between the individual systems and priorities of two branches of state government has presented some initial challenges in developing an implementation schedule that is feasible for both DMV and the OES. We have different automated systems that will require substantial work on the part of developers for both entities to work together to find a solution. OES must first complete its financial system update, which is critical to the subsequent

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implementation of SB 1411. This update is well underway, with a completion deadline of February 2016. In the meantime, DMV has met internally and with OES business and information technology teams to complete as much as possible prior to joint IT planning. This has included identifying business requirements for both DMV and OES and identifying DMV technology requirements. Contract discussions are well underway between DMV and OES.

In conclusion, we are optimistic about our progress. Both DMV and OES have fostered a strong rapport and cooperation and are working hard to make DMV an additional venue for payment of delinquent court fines and costs. We are committed to begin offering this new service to Virginians in 2016.

Sincerely,

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Supreme Court of Virginia

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The Honorable Ronald A. Villanueva, Virginia House of Delegates