Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

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LRB Number **05-2710/1**	Introduction Number **AB-1113**

Description
Motor vehicle accidents while using a cellular telephone, cellular telephone dealers, and providing a penalty

Fiscal Effect

State:
☐ No State Fiscal Effect
☐ Indeterminate

    ☐ Increase Existing Appropriations   ☐ Increase Existing Revenues   ☒ Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
    ☐ Decrease Existing Appropriations   ☐ Decrease Existing Revenues   ☐ Yes   ☒ No
    ☐ Create New Appropriations   ☐ Decrease Costs

Local:
☐ No Local Government Costs
☐ Indeterminate

    1. ☐ Increase Costs   3. ☐ Increase Revenue
       ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory   ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
    2. ☐ Decrease Costs   4. ☐ Decrease Revenue
       ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory   ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory

5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
☐ Towns ☐ Village ☐ Cities
☐ Counties ☐ Others
☐ School Districts ☐ WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected   **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**
☐ GPR ☐ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☒ SEG ☐ SEGS   20.395 (5)(cq)

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

BILL SUMMARY
-Requires accident reports to include information about cellular telephone use by operators of vehicles involved in crashes. All accident reports must be changed to include this information by the effective date of the bill.
-Creates a new traffic offense for persons operating a motor vehicle while on a cellular phone who are primarily at fault in a crash. The penalties are $300 forfeiture for causing property damage, $300 – 1000 forfeiture for causing injury, $1000- 5000 forfeiture for causing for great bodily harm, plus not more than 6 months in county jail and $5,000 - $10,000 forfeiture, plus not more than one year in county jail for causing death.

ASSUMPTIONS
-The number of citations issued for operating a motor vehicle while on a cellular phone and causing an accident are indeterminate. As such, revenue impacts cannot be calculated.

COST SUMMARY
-$245,671 one-time costs to replace existing stock of accident reports
-$35,560 one-time costs for programming

BASIS FOR COST SUMMARY:

$245,620 to replace existing stock of accident reports.

100,000 pads of police accident reports would be needed to replace all existing stock. Each pad contains 25 reports, and costs $2.45 per pad.
100,000 * 2.45 = $245,000
$245,000 plus $51 fee to add cell phone data fields = $245,051 for police reports

50,000 driver accident reports would be needed to replace all existing stock.
50,000 * $0.01138 = $569, plus $51 fee to add cell phone data fields = $620

$245,051 (police accident reports) + $620 (driver accident reports) = $245,691

Note: police accident reports are multiple page, scannable forms. They are bound in packs of 25, with instructions printed on the pack as well. Driver accident reports are a single sheet of paper and are easier to produce.

$35,560 for programming needed to capture new cell phone data. Programming is needed to modify internal accident entry systems, TraCS electronic entry system, add cell phone data fields to database, and alter scanning, pre-edit, batch upload and extract processes.

Costs to train law enforcement to capture cell phone data are indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

See above.