

Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

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LRB Number 05-3040/1	Introduction Number SB-528	
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Fiscal Effect State: <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill changes several traffic regulations governing motorcycles and motorcycle operators. It also creates new misdemeanor offenses of varying classes for persons who fail to yield the right of way (for all motor vehicle operators not only motorcycle operators) if the violation results in bodily harm, great bodily harm or death. Violation of the statute would be a Class C misdemeanor for a violation resulting in bodily harm, a Class B misdemeanor for a violation resulting in great bodily harm, and a Class A misdemeanor for a violation resulting in death.

There will be a caseload increase in the circuit courts from the creation of these crimes because municipal courts will lose the power to handle these matters. Under current statutes, failure to yield the right of way is a forfeiture action that can be brought in either municipal courts or circuit courts. Violation of the failure to yield provisions under this bill will be required to be handled by the circuit courts.

It is impossible to predict how many such crimes will be filed in the circuit court. Additional proceedings require additional judge, court reporter, court staff and juror time. These costs are borne by both the state and the county. An accurate estimate of the additional costs is impossible with the data available.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications