

Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

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LRB Number 01-2472/1	Introduction Number AB-199
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Subject
 Vehicle owner liability for violations of certain traffic laws relating to railroad crossings

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate

<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
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Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
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Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Conclusion:

The fiscal impact of this proposal is indeterminable because the number of citations that will be written for the offense cannot be estimated.

For comparison, in 2000, there were 1,256 convictions for failure to stop for school bus(FSB). The number of convictions for failing to obey railroad crossing restrictions, and being observed doing so by a railroad employee, is expected to be significantly less than that.

There will be some impact on the Division of State Patrol and other law enforcement agencies to investigate the infraction and deliver or mail the citation to the owner and possibly to the operator.

There will be some impact to the Division of Motor Vehicles to process the citations.

Local Impact: Cost and Revenue will depend on how often the Citations are written.

Assumptions:

1. Division of State Patrol: Some indeterminate costs to deliver the citation to the owner and/or operator. The average rate of pay for a Trooper is \$39.50 per hour, including fringe benefits. The average time to write and deliver the citation is about 1 hour, considering that some Troopers would have to travel quite a distance to deliver a citation/warrant, etc. The proposal states that the officer "may" personally serve the citation, but it may also be mailed in compliance with agency policies and procedures.

2. Division of Motor Vehicles: One-time development of a unique "charge code" to identify the conviction on the driver record: \$36,100 (\$500/day contract programmer + \$222/day IEF programming software = \$722 per day. \$722 x 50 days.)

3. Division of Motor Vehicles: This proposal provides for citations for the owner /or/ the operator to be written under the same Statutory section. To effectively automate, a distinct Statutory reference is usually required. However, the DMV will automate the data entry because the conviction carries no points. DMV will not distinguish between owner or operator and will enter the citation on the appropriate driver record. (Automation of the data entry -- keying and batch tape -- reduces the need for slower manual entry of citations and convictions.)

4. Local costs: The average pay of local law enforcement is unknown. It will take local Law Enforcement officer about the same time as the State Patrol to investigate, write the citation and deliver it (in person or by mail) to the owner or the operator.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

n/a

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
One-time development of "charge code" to track the number of infractions. \$36,100			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$	
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$indeterminate	\$indeterminate
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$indeterminate
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