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Senate Bill 1019 (as introduced 5-14-96) Sponsor: Senator Doug Carl Committee: Transportation and Tourism

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Limousine Transportation Act to lower the licensing fees for limousine carriers and to redefine "limousine" as a self-propelled motor vehicle that had a seating capacity of six or more, but fewer than 16, passengers plus the driver, and that was used to carry passengers and their baggage for hire on a public highway of this State. "Limousine" would not include a self-propelled motor vehicle having a seating capacity of fewer than 16 passengers that was used by or on behalf of an employer to transport its employees to and from their place of employment. Currently, the Act defines a limousine as a motor vehicle with a seating capacity of 15 passengers or less, including the driver, and excludes a motor vehicle with a seating capacity of 15 passengers or less that is used by an employer to transport employees to and from their work.

The bill would lower the filing fee for an original certificate of authority to operate as a limousine carrier to \$100 plus \$25 times the number of limousines to be used by the carrier to provide transportation for hire. Currently, the fee is \$300 plus \$50 times the number of limousines. In addition, the bill would lower the annual renewal fee from \$50 to \$25 times the number of limousines used exclusively by the carrier to provide transportation of passengers for hire and meeting annual renewal inspection requirements. Further, the maximum fee for a current year certification for newly acquired limousines would be lowered from \$50 to \$25 per limousine.

MCL 257.1903 et al. Legislative Analyst: L. Burghardt

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would result in the reduction of fees. No actual information is available, although current estimates put the loss in revenue from reduced fees in the range of \$60,000 to \$100,000.

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