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Senate Bill 458 (Substitute S-4 as reported) Sponsor: Senator John J.H. Schwarz, M.D. Committee: Health Policy and Senior Citizens

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to eliminate a current requirement that a driver's license contain a statement that the licensee has made an anatomical gift, and require instead that the license contain a statement that the licensee was an organ and tissue donor pursuant to the Public Health Code. The license also would have to contain the signature of the licensee following the indication of his or her organ and tissue donor intent, along with the signature of at least one witness. The bill is tie-barred to House Bill 4620 and House Bill 4031.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Sections 818(1) and (2) of Public Act 111 of 1997 (General Government Appropriations Act for fiscal year 1997-98) state that \$40,000 shall be used for producing a pamphlet to be distributed with driver's licenses and personal identification cards regarding organ donations. The funds must be used to update and print a pamphlet that will explain the organ donation program and encourage people to become donors by marking a checkoff on driver's license and personal identification card applications. Further, \$64,000 is earmarked for return postage costs for reply forms addressed to the Gift of Life Organization. In total, \$104,000 is appropriated to implement these provisions.

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