H.B. 5270 (S-1): FLOOR ANALYSIS

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House Bill 5270 (Substitute S-1 as reported by the Committee of the Whole)

Sponsor: Representative Randy Richardville

House Committee: Transportation

Senate Committee: Transportation and Tourism

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 801 (Marine Safety), Part 803 (Watercraft Transfer and Certificate of Title), Part 811 (Off-Road Recreation Vehicles), and Part 821 (Snowmobiles) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to prohibit the Secretary of State (SOS) or any other State agency from selling any list of information maintained under the Act for the purpose of surveys, marketing, and solicitation. The bill also would delete requirements that people be informed of their right to prohibit disclosure of personal information for surveys, marketing, and solicitations and given an opportunity to notify the Secretary of State of their desire not to have this information disclosed. The bill provides that if the SOS sold a member of the State Legislature a list of information from the records maintained under the Act, the Secretary of State would have charge the same fee as the fee for the sale of bulk records, unless the member requested the list to carry out a legislative function.

In addition, the bill would amend Part 801 to specify that personal information in a record maintained under that part could not be disclosed unless the person requesting it furnished proof of identity considered satisfactory to the Secretary of State and certified that the personal information requested would be used for a permissible purpose identified in Section 80130a or 80130c, except as provided in those sections (which permit the disclosure of personal information under certain circumstances). Highly restricted personal information could be used and disclosed only as expressly permitted by law.

The bill would take effect June 1, 2000.

MCL 324.80130a et al. Legislative Analyst: S. Lowe

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Due to fewer look-ups, the State could incur a loss of some look-up fee revenue. According to the Department of State, the provisions of House Bills 5227, 5230 (H-1), and 5270 could result in a \$400,000 reduction in revenue to the look-up fee account. There would be no impact on local units of government.

Date Completed: 5-10-00 Fiscal Analyst: E. Limbs