H.B. 5812 (H-2): FLOOR ANALYSIS

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House Bill 5812 (Substitute H-2 as reported without amendment)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Limousine Transportation Act to provide that a person licensed under the Act would be prohibited from picking up or transporting passengers who were not prescheduled unless permitted by a local governing authority. A local governing authority could impose fines for failure to comply with this provision.

Under the Act, a limo carrier of passengers may not operate upon a public highway without first obtaining a certificate of authority from the Department of Transportation. The bill specifies that a certificate of authority could be obtained for operation of either Class A limousines or Class B limousines or both. "Class A limousine" would mean a limousine with a seating capacity of at least seven but not more than 15 passengers including the driver. "Class B limousine" would mean a limousine with a seating capacity of less than seven passengers including the driver.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would result in additional local revenue should a local governing authority choose to impose fines for violating the prohibition against picking up or transporting passengers that were not prescheduled. The amount of local revenue generated would be contingent on the fine schedule and number of violations, information which is unknown. According to the Michigan Department of Transportation, there were 1,471 limousines operating under the Limousine Transportation Act in 1998.

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