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FISCAL ANALYSIS

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HOUSE BILL 5362 AS INTRODUCED

Sponsor: Rep. Paul R. Gieleghem

House Committee: Commerce

FLOOR ANALYSIS - 4/10/02

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SUMMARY

House Bill 5362 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to allow the Secretary of State to charge a \$10.00 fee for each special plate issued for the operation of a vehicle by a manufacturer, subcomponent system producer, dealer or transporter. The current fee structure is \$30.00 for 2 plates and \$15.00 for the third plate and \$8.00 each for so many plates in excess of the first three plates.

It is reported from the Department of State that in FY 2000 dealer plate revenue amounted to \$645,556, representing 65,732 dealer plates. There is no data available as to whether these were first, second, third or fourth plates to relate the current fee structure to. If a flat \$10.00 fee had been applied, the revenue to the department would have been \$657,320 as compared to \$645,556, an increase of nearly \$12,000.

There may be an indeterminate increase in revenue to the state by this amendment due to a reduction in processing errors with the fee structure simplification. There would be no fiscal impact on local units of government.