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## **HOUSE BILL 5467 CONFERENCE REPORT**

**Sponsor**: Rep. Kwame M. Kilpatrick **First House Committee**: Commerce

## **REVISED FLOOR ANALYSIS - 11/12/02**

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## **SUMMARY**

House Bill 5467, 1<sup>st</sup> Conference Report, could increase local costs to the extent that it creates a new local agency (DARTA) and requires certain activities, such as the hiring a chief executive officer, which have costs. However, the bill does not obligate the state or any local political entity to pay those costs.

Section 16 of the bill requires the DARTA board to hire a chief executive officer by March 20, 2003. Section 4(8) of the bill requires that DARTA, "within one year after the selection of a chief executive officer of the authority, shall present to the legislature, the members of the appropriations committees of the house of representatives and the senate, and the governor its recommendations for legislation to fund the implementation of the comprehensive regional public transportation service plan and for legislation to establish a dedicated funding stream for the authority. The recommendations for legislation shall include an analysis of the availability of funding sources for the dedicated funding stream and [information regarding a comprehensive regional public transportation plan]."

We note that Section 725 of PA 561 of 2002 (HB 5651), the FY 2002-03 Transportation Appropriations Act, requires the Michigan Department of Transportation, within 90 days of the enactment of HB 5467, to report to the House and Senate appropriations committees on estimated DARTA start-up costs.