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Senate Bills 924 and 925 (as introduced 12-6-01)

Sponsor: Senator Shirley Johnson (Senate Bill 924)

Senator Loren Bennett (Senate Bill 925)

Committee: Transportation and Tourism

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## **CONTENT**

The bills would amend Public Act 222 of 1972, which provides for the issuance of State personal identification cards, and the Michigan Vehicle Code, respectively, to require the Secretary of State to publish on the cards of minors the dates on which the holders would become 18 and 21 years of age; and to issue the cards of those under 21 in a vertical, or portrait, format. Further, Senate Bill 925 would appropriate to the Department of State from the General Fund \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, for implementation of the requirements of the bill. Both bills would require the new formats beginning on July 1, 2003.

The bills would require that, in the case of a person under 18 at the time a State ID card or driver's license was issued, the card or license contain the dates on which the person would become 18 and 21 years of age. In the case of a person who was at least 18 but less than 21 at the time of issuance, the card or license would have to include the date on which the person would become 21 years old.

The bills would require that the Secretary of State issue an original identification card or driver's license or the first renewal of an existing identification card or license issued to a person under 21 in a vertical format. An original identification card or license or the first renewal of an existing card or license issued to a person 21 years of age or over would have to be horizontal, or landscape, in form.

Currently, if the Secretary of State issues an official State personal identification card to a person who at the time of application is  $20-\frac{1}{2}$  years old or less, or issues a driver's license to an applicant who is under  $20-\frac{1}{2}$ , the person's identification card or license must be marked in a manner that clearly indicates that the cardholder or licensee is less than 21. Under the bills, these requirements would continue until July 1, 2003.

Senate Bill 925 also would delete language that permits operator's or chauffeur's licensees to renew their group designations or endorsements for four years.

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Legislative Analyst: Claire Layman

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

According to the Department of State, creating a vertical driver's license and personal identification card for persons less than 21 years of age would result in a one-time cost of \$1 million. This amount would fund the program conversion costs for the contractor producing Michigan's driver's licenses and ID cards. Senate Bill 925 would appropriate \$1 million from the General Fund for this purpose.

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