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House Bill 5801 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Scott Shackleton

House Committee: Judiciary Senate Committee: Judiciary

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 214 of 1952, which governs the Mackinac Bridge Authority, to provide that, beginning September 1, 2004, a failure to pay the required toll to cross the bridge would be a misdemeanor punishable by up to 90 days' imprisonment, a maximum fine of \$500, or both.

MCL 254.322 Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and an indeterminate fiscal impact on local government. The Mackinac Bridge Authority estimates that approximately 30 motorists each year attempt to evade payment of the toll. Local government would incur the cost of probation or incarceration in a local facility. Public libraries would receive any additional penal fine revenue.

Fiscal Analyst: Bethany Wicksall

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