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Senate Bill 597 (as introduced 5-20-09)

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The bill would amend the Enhanced Driver License and Enhanced Official State Personal Identification Card Act to permit the Secretary of State to assess a fee for the issuance of a duplicate or corrected enhanced driver license or enhanced official State personal identification card. The fees would have to be deposited into the Enhanced Driver License and Enhanced Official State Personal Identification Card Fund.

The Act prescribes a maximum fee of \$50 for an original enhanced driver license or State personal identification card or for the renewal of an enhanced license or ID card, and provides for the distribution of fee revenue. The State Treasurer must deposit \$4 into the Traffic Law Enforcement and Safety Fund for each person examined for an original enhanced driver license. The bill would require the same amount to be deposited into the Fund for each person examined for a renewal enhanced driver license.

In addition, \$2.5 million from the Enhanced Driver License and Enhanced Official State Personal Identification Card Fund must be deposited in the State Treasury and credited to the General Fund, except that not more than \$1.0 million must be credited to the Gasoline Inspection and Testing Fund. The bill would remove those provisions.

MCL 28.306 Legislative Analyst: Curtis Walker

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill should have a minimal fiscal impact on revenue for the Department of State. Currently, there is no mechanism to charge less than the original \$50 fee for a replacement enhanced driver license. The bill would allow the Secretary of State to charge an amount less than the \$50 fee for an original license. The amount charged likely would be the same fee charged for a regular driver license. The change is not designed to be a revenue enhancement for the Department. The bill would have no fiscal impact on local government.

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