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Senate Bill 1307 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Jud Gilbert, II
Committee: Transportation

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Limousine Transportation Act to do all of the following:

- Delete a provision under which a limo carrier of passengers that operates Class B limousines within a city with a population of 750,000 or more (Detroit) also must comply with that city's ordinance regarding vehicles for hire.
- Provide that the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Department of State would have exclusive authority to license limousines, limo carriers of passengers, and limo operators.
- Prohibit local units of government from licensing limousines, limo carriers of passengers, or chauffeurs, or adopting ordinances to do so.
- Repeal a section allowing a local unit that has an ordinance regulating limousines to perform required annual safety inspections.

("Class B limousine" means a limousine with a seating capacity of less than seven passengers including the driver.)

MCL 257.1907 et al.

Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an unknown and likely minimal impact on revenue and expenditure for both the State and local units. Most limousine carriers are already licensed by the State and inspected under State provisions. The bill would eliminate local licensing authority, potentially reducing both license revenue and enforcement expenses for local units while increasing revenue and expenses for the State. The specific impact would depend upon relevant fee schedules and the number of violations.

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