Legislative Analysis



FUND-RAISING PLATES FOR USE ON COMPANY-OWNED VEHICLES

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House Bill 4907 Substitute (H-2) as reported from committee

Sponsor: Rep. Roger Victory

Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure

Complete to 11-8-17

(Enacted as Public Act 234 of 2017)

REVISED SUMMARY:

<u>House Bill 4907</u> would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to allow the Secretary of State to issue a fund-raising plate, instead of a standard plate, for use on certain company-owned motor vehicles.

Under current law, fund-raising plates can be issued only for vehicles "used exclusively to transport personal possessions or family members for nonbusiness purposes." HB 4907 would remove this restriction and allow fund-raising plates to be issued for any passenger motor vehicle, motor home, pickup truck, or van, without regard to the use or purpose of the vehicle.

The bill would also extend the length of time a temporary fund-raising plate is valid from 30 days to 60 days.

The bill would take effect February 19, 2019.

MCL 257.811f

FISCAL IMPACT:

The department reports that HB 4907 would require costs for computer system reprogramming if the bill's requirements are implemented after mid-January 2018. The department is currently undertaking the modernization of its legacy vehicle information system. Changes to current license processes could be accommodated through ongoing system modernization efforts. Changes made after the implementation of the modernization would likely require additional programming costs.

POSITIONS:

Representatives from the Michigan FFA Foundation testified in <u>support</u> of the bill. (10-31-17)

The following organizations indicated <u>support</u> for the bill:

- Ducks Unlimited (10-31-17)
- Eastern Michigan University (10-31-17)
- GreenStone Farm Credit Services (10-31-17)

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- Michigan Corn (10-31-17)
- Michigan Farm Bureau (10-31-17)
- Michigan Sugar Company (10-31-17)
- Michigan Tech University (10-31-17)
- Saginaw Valley State University (10-31-17)
- Western Michigan University (10-31-17)

A representative from the Office of the Secretary of State testified and indicated that the Office is <u>neutral</u> on the bill. (10-31-17)

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