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Senate Bill 892 (Substitute S-3 as reported)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to do the following:

- -- Specify that an automated delivery device would not be a vehicle under the Code.
- -- Specify that the bill's provisions would occupy the whole field of regulation of automated delivery devices in the State and would prohibit a local authority from adopting, enacting, or enforcing a local law governing the devices.
- -- Allow a local authority to opt out of having automated delivery devices operate within the local authority if the election were made within 90 days after the bill's effective date.
- -- Specify that a city with a population of at least 500,000 could regulate the zones by which automated delivery devices could operate through ordinance within 90 days of the bill's effective date.
- -- Specify that a person operating an automated delivery device on a sidewalk, crosswalk, or other place open to the general public or accessible to pedestrian traffic would have all the rights and be subject to all the duties applicable to a pedestrian, except for special regulations and inapplicable provisions.
- -- Require a person operating an automated delivery device to maintain an insurance policy on each drive that included general liability coverage of at least \$100,000.
- -- Require an official police report involving an automated delivery device to be submitted to the governing body of the municipality in which the report was recorded.
- -- Allow an automated delivery device to be operated on a sidewalk or other place accessible to pedestrian traffic at a maximum speed of 10 miles per hour.
- -- Require an automated delivery device to achieve a minimal risk condition.
- -- Prohibit an automated delivery device from transporting hazardous materials or from operating in a special charter city or a State park.
- -- Specify that an automated deliver device could only be operated between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM.
- -- Require an automated delivery device to be equipped with a lamp, be able to come rapidly to a controlled stop, and be labeled with certain information relating to the operator.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill could result in additional revenue for local libraries. Although it is unknown how many citations would be issued for violation of the right-of-way provisions as proposed in Section 612a of the bill, any additional revenue from imposed fines would go to local libraries.

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