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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 580** HLS 23RS 637

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Public Safety, State Police and LA Highway Commission		Analyst: Patrice Thomas
Subject: Prohibit Handheld Wireless Telecom Devices Public Roadways		

MTR VEHICLE/VIOLATIONS

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Provides relative to the operation of a motor vehicle while using a wireless telecommunication device

Proposed law repeals present law regarding operating wireless telecommunication devices in school zones. Proposed law prohibits all drivers from calling, text messaging, using social networking, using apps, or accessing data on a handheld telecommunication device while driving on a public road or highway, including physically holding the device. Proposed law provides new and enhanced definitions. Proposed law provides for an exception to the wireless telecommunication device prohibition for a law enforcement officer, firefighter, or EMS as well as for any person reporting a traffic accident or other emergency, road hazard, reporting serious injury or death, using a dispatching system, using hands-free GPS, while a vehicle is lawfully stationary, or dialing 911. Proposed law provides for moving violation fines after 01/01/24 up to \$100 for each offense. Proposed law prohibits certain acts of law enforcement officers during traffic stops for violations of proposed law and requires "visually confirms" the violation and prohibits arrests.

EXPENDITURES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will have an indeterminable impact on Local Funds revenue. The proposed law repeals present law fines of \$500 for the first violation and \$1,000 for 2nd and subsequent violations for using wireless telecommunications devices in school zones. The proposed law prohibits the use of wireless telecommunications devices on all public roads and highways and lower fines of no more than \$100 per offense. Although this measure decreases Local Funds revenues by reducing current fines, the proposed law expands violations to all public roads and lower fines of up to \$100 for each offense, which may increase Local Funds revenues. In addition, because the number of drivers who may be fined under the proposed law is unknown, Local Funds revenue derived from violations under this proposed law is indeterminable. However, all fines would accrue to local governing entities.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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