

Fiscal Analysis

INCREASE ACCIDENT REPORTING THRESHOLD



Bill/Sponsor **HOUSE BILL 4238 As introduced**, Rep. Joseph L. Rivet

House Committee Judiciary

Analysis

Summary

House Bill 4283 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to increase, from \$400 to \$1,000, the property damage threshold at which the reporting of a traffic accident to a police department is required. The current requirement that any accident that injures or kills a person must be reported to a police department would be retained.

Fiscal Impact

The bill could reduce costs to local police departments and the Department of State Police resulting from the processing of accident reports. Additionally, costs to the Department of State Police associated with analyzing these reports, as it is required to do under the statute, could be reduced. The magnitude of any costs savings to state and local government is, however, indeterminate.

As a point of reference, the current appropriation in the fiscal year 2002-03 State Police budget for the compilation and evaluation of data on traffic accidents is \$1.5 million, of which \$469,500 is appropriated from General Fund/General Purpose revenue.

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