

# Legislative Analysis

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA LICENSE PLATE

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**Senate Bill 104 (Substitute H-1)**  
**Sponsor: Sen. Roger Kahn, M.D.**  
**House Committee: Transportation**  
**Senate Committee: Transportation**

**Complete to 5-25-11**

### A SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 104 AS REPORTED FROM HOUSE COMMITTEE

Senate Bill 104 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.811e) to require the Secretary of State to create a fund-raising plate recognizing the Boy Scouts of America.

The bill also would create the "Boy Scouts of America Fund" and require donations from the sale of the plate to be deposited into the Fund. The bill would take effect October 1, 2011.

The Vehicle Code allows the secretary of state to develop, at any one time, up to eight different state-sponsored fund-raising registration plates and matching state-sponsored collector plates. The bill would remove that limit on the number of plates.

The act requires that a start-up fee of \$15,000 must be paid for any new fund-raising plate. This revenue is deposited in the Transportation Administration Collection Fund to be used for the cost of creating, producing, and issuing the plate. Current language requires fees to be deposited in this fund through October 1, 2011. The bill would extend that date to October 1, 2015.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would require the payment (presumably by the sponsor of a new fund-raising plate) of a non-refundable \$15,000 start-up fee to be deposited in the TACF for the cost of developing, producing, and issuing fund-raising plates. Under the Vehicle Code, if the start-up fee is not paid within 18 months of the effective date of the public act authorizing the new fund-raising plates, the related fund-raising plate could not be created, produced, or issued.

### POSITIONS:

Secretary of State is neutral on the bill. (5-11-11)

Boy Scouts of America supports the bill. (5-11-11)

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