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LB 347

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FISCAL NOTE

Updated for the 2018 - includes any amendments adopted to date.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT - STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2018-19		FY 2019-20	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	(\$13,010)	(\$18,375)	(\$26,019)	(\$36,750)
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	(\$13,010)	(\$18,375)	(\$26,019)	(\$36,750)

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

LB 347 eliminates the requirement that school bus operators annually obtain a school bus permit and submit to an examination by a driver's license examiner of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). School bus permits are valid for a one-year time period and expire on an individual's birthday. It is assumed the bill will be effective on January 1, 2019.

Revenue: Revenue accruing to the DMV Cash Fund from school bus permit fees will be reduced by the bill. The annual fee for a school bus permit is currently \$5.00 plus an additional \$2.50 security surcharge. DMV indicates there were about 4,900 school bus permits issued in calendar year 2016. Using this number, the annual revenue loss will be about \$36,750. The revenue loss will be half as much in FY19, due to the effective date of the bill.

<u>Expenditures</u>: DMV will have reduced expenditures for the cost of a school bus permit. The department indicates the cost per document for a permit is \$5.31. The estimated annual decrease in cash fund expenditures will be \$26,019.

The bill will also result in a workload decrease for drivers' license examiners in DMV examining stations because school bus drivers will no longer have to appear annually for an examination to obtain a school bus permit and a file of medical records will no longer need to be retained. It is assumed the workload decrease will not be of a significant nature such that examiners can be eliminated.

The State Department of Education will have to revise a rule at an estimated cost of about \$700 if school bus permits are eliminated. It is assumed the cost of rule revisions can be handled with the existing budgetary resources of the department.