

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council

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Amendment to: HB 1253

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues				\$123,850		\$123,850
Expenditures				\$3,000		
Appropriations				\$3,000		

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. Narrative: *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

This amendment to section 39-21-41.2 would invoke a fee of \$25 for every violation where child restraint devices were not used. It also changes the term "seatbelt" to "safety belt", and defines the term "child restraint system". Finally, this bill changes the child definition requirement from "four" to "six" years of age for mandatory child restraint system use.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

During 2002, there were 2,477 violations for failure to have a minor in a child restraint device. Based on this information and the proposed \$25 fee per violation, the state could realize an approximate increase in the common schools trust fund of \$123,850 per biennium. It should be noted that because of the \$25 fee mandated by this bill and continued education efforts toward child restraint use, the amount of citations issued could conceivably decrease over time.

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The only expenditure the NDDOT would incur is based on public notification of the new law, such as printing brochures and manual changes, PSAs, etc.

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

The proposed budget for the biennium did not include this proposed legislation. Additional funds would be necessary to accommodate the change in legislation.

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