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TO: Honorable Tommy Merritt, Chair, House Committee on Public Safety

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB288 by Dutton (Relating to authorizing a justice or municipal court to grant an occupational driver's license.), **As Introduced**

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| No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code to change which courts in which a person would be required to file a petition for an occupational driver's license.

Under current statute, a petition is filed in county courts and district courts. The bill would require the petitions to be filed in a justice court or a municipal court. This change would result in a reduction in caseload for the county and district courts and an equal increase in the justice and municipal courts. The fiscal impact resulting from the change in caseloads would vary by court.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

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