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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

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

IN RE: SB488 by Ellis (Relating to the operation of a motor vehicle in the vicinity of a vulnerable road user; providing penalties.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would create as an offense certain actions of a driver of a motor vehicle in the vicinity of a vulnerable road user. Depending on various criteria, the punishment would be either a fine of between \$1 and \$200; a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500; or a Class B misdemeanor, which is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$2,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both such fine and confinement.

Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution, and punishment are not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact. Revenue gain from fines would vary depending on the number of offenses prosecuted and the amount of fine imposed.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety

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