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TO: Honorable Tommy Williams, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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

IN RE: SB1485 by West (Relating to the authority of a school district to implement a school bus monitoring system that records images, including images of vehicles that pass a stopped school bus; providing for the imposition of penalties.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The state could realize minimal revenue gain as districts may contract with the Department of Motor Vehicles to probe motor vehicle records for violators.

Local Government Impact

School districts would experience costs to install and maintain the monitoring systems.

School districts that chose to pursue the civil penalties could experience significant legal and administrative costs, particularly if the imposition or amount was challenged by the registered owner of the vehicle. School districts would receive the funds from penalties, which may or may not be sufficient to offset the costs to install the monitoring systems and to impose and collect penalties.

School districts that chose to install monitoring systems and pursue civil penalties could incur some minimal administrative costs to comply with annual reporting requirements.

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