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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3246 by Callegari (Relating to fines for speed limit violations.), As Introduced

Because there currently is no information regarding the specifics of speeding violations by which to determine the fine revenue effect of the bill's provisions, the fiscal impact of the bill on the state is indeterminate.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to require that persons driving within 10 miles per hour of the posted speed limit should not be assessed a fine, unless in the opinion of the law enforcement officer, adverse weather or traffic conditions or other hazardous situations constituted an imminent danger to the public. The bill's provisions would not apply to moving violations within a school crossing zone or within 500 feet of a school, hospital, or institution of higher education, or in combination with another moving violation.

The Comptroller has noted there currently is no information regarding the specifics of speeding violations by which to determine the fine revenue effect of the bill's provisions. As such, the fiscal impact on the state is indeterminate.

It is assumed the costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

The Comptroller has noted there currently is no information regarding the specifics of speeding violations by which to determine the fine revenue effect of the bill's provisions. As such, the fiscal impact on traffic fine revenues for units of local government is indeterminate.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety, 601

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