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TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1888 by Capriglione (Relating to punishment for the offense of driving a commercial motor vehicle without a commercial driver's license; increasing a penalty.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Transportation Code to elevate the punishment for operating a commercial motor vehicle without a commercial driver's license from a Class C misdemeanor to a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, or a Class B misdemeanor in the event that the offender had been convicted of the same offense within the previous year.

A Class C misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500. In addition to the fine, punishment can include up to 180 days of deferred disposition. A Class B misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$2,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both.

Local Government Impact

Costs associated with enforcement and prosecution could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

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