

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
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TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1018 by Huffman (Relating to distribution of state traffic fine revenue received by the comptroller.), As Introduced

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB1018, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$31,422,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2027.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five- Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to <i>General Revenue Related Funds</i>
2026	(\$15,028,000)
2027	(\$16,394,000)
2028	(\$16,394,000)
2029	(\$16,394,000)
2030	(\$16,394,000)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from <i>General Revenue Fund 1</i>	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from <i>Trauma Facility And Ems 5111</i>
2026	(\$15,028,000)	\$15,028,000
2027	(\$16,394,000)	\$16,394,000
2028	(\$16,394,000)	\$16,394,000
2029	(\$16,394,000)	\$16,394,000
2030	(\$16,394,000)	\$16,394,000

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend Chapter 542 of the Transportation Code relating to the distribution of state traffic fine revenue received by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA).

The bill would increase the allocation of state traffic fine receipts to Account 5111 – Designated Trauma Facility and EMS from 30 percent to 50 percent and decrease the amount allocated to General Revenue Fund 0001 (GR) from 70 percent to 50 percent.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2025.

Note: This legislation would do one or more of the following: create or recreate a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund, create or recreate a special or trust fund either in, with, or outside the Treasury, or

create a dedicated revenue source. The fund, account, or revenue dedication included in this bill would be subject to funds consolidation review by the current Legislature.

Methodology

Information from the 2026-27 Biennial Revenue Estimate and CPA records were used to determine the estimated amount of receipts from the state traffic fine that would be impacted by the bill. The allocations prescribed by the bill were then applied. The table below shows the result of the new allocations compared to current law based on an effective date for the bill of September 1, 2025.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 537 State Health Services, Department of
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