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House Bill 4398 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Raymond Basham

House Committee: Transportation

Senate Committee: Transportation and Tourism

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to require that a vehicle be assessed at 50% of the registration fee provided in the Code if the vehicle were owned by a person who was permanently confined to a wheelchair or by a person who transported a resident of his or her household who was permanently confined to a wheelchair. The bill specifies that only one registration plate per household could be issued and assessed at the 50% rate.

Currently, the Code requires a 50% reduction in the registration fee for a van owned by a person who uses a wheelchair or by a person who transports a resident of his or her household who uses a wheelchair.

MCL 257.801 Legislative Analyst: L. Arasim

FISCAL IMPACT

The average registration fee per vehicle is approximately \$70. According to the 1990 census, there were 57,180 wheelchair users in the State of Michigan. The provisions of this bill could result in a minimum revenue loss of \$2,000,000 to the State. There would be no fiscal impact on local government.

Fiscal Analyst: E. Limbs

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