

# FIRST-TIME DRUNK DRIVING: INCREASE MINIMUM FINE



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FISCAL ANALYSIS

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## HOUSE BILL 5814 AS INTRODUCED

**Sponsor:** Rep. Tom George

**First House Committee:** Transportation

**Second House Committee:** Criminal Justice

## COMMITTEE ANALYSIS - 5/17/02

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## SUMMARY

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to increase the mandatory minimum fine for first-time drunk driving from the current \$100 to \$200 (the maximum fine for this misdemeanor offense is \$500). The bill thus could increase collections of penal fine revenues, which are constitutionally dedicated to local libraries. The extent of the fiscal impact would depend on the number of offenders who otherwise would have received \$100 fines but instead received \$200 fines.