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Senate Bill 817 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Laura M. Toy
Committee: Health Policy

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to create the "Organ and Tissue Donation Education Fund"; and require the Secretary of State to provide an opportunity to make a donation to the Fund in conjunction with the issuance of a driver license.

The bill would create the Fund within the State Treasury. The State Treasurer could receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the Fund, and would have to direct the Fund's investment. The Treasurer would have to credit to the Fund interest and earnings from Fund investments. Money in the Fund at the close of the fiscal year would remain in the Fund, rather than lapse to the General Fund. The Secretary of State would have to spend Fund money only on programs and initiatives to encourage Michigan residents to place their names on the Organ and Tissue Donor Registry.

The bill also would require the Secretary of State to provide an applicant with the opportunity to make a donation of at least \$1 to the Fund, upon the issuance of an operator's or chauffeur's license. A donation collected under this provision would have to be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Fund.

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Legislative Analyst: Julie Koval

FISCAL IMPACT

Approximately 2 million individuals renew driver licenses each year. The extent to which individuals would donate to the Organ and Tissue Donation Education Fund is not determinable. The Department of State would incur programming and ongoing administrative costs that are not funded by the bill.

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