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H.B. 4463 (S-1): FLOOR ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4463 (Substitute S-1 as reported) Sponsor: Representative David Robertson

House Committee: Transportation Senate Committee: Transportation

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to require the Secretary of State to develop a cancer awareness fund-raising specialty license plate and matching collector plate; create the "Cancer Awareness Fund"; and provide for the distribution of proceeds to three organizations. The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 785, which would require a \$15,000 start-up fee for a new fund-raising license plate and set sales goals for fund-raising plates.

Under House Bill 4463 (S-1), the Secretary of State could issue a cancer awareness fund-raising registration plate, instead of a standard registration plate, to an applicant for use on a motor vehicle. The Secretary of State would have to design the plate, and it would have to include a pink ribbon emblem.

Under the Code, an application for an original fund-raising plate must be accompanied by a \$25 fund-raising donation, payment of the regular registration tax, and a \$10 service fee. An application for renewal of a fund-raising plate must be accompanied by payment of the regular registration tax and a \$10 donation. The Code requires a \$25 donation and a \$10 service fee for a collector plate. The bill would require the Secretary of State to disburse to the State Treasurer cancer awareness fund-raising donations. The State Treasurer would have to credit the donation money to the Cancer Awareness Fund, which the bill would create within the State Treasury.

The State Treasurer would have to disburse money in the Cancer Awareness Fund on a quarterly basis equally between the Michigan Chapter of the American Cancer Society, the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, and the Michigan Hospice and Palliative Care Organization.

Each recipient would have to report annually to the Department of Treasury an accounting of money received and used under the bill.

Proposed MCL 257.811q Legislative Analyst: Julie Koval

FISCAL IMPACT

Revenue generated for special causes from the sale of seven fund-raising plates in FY 2002-03 totaled \$1.3 million (from original and renewal transactions). The sale of university fund-raising plates generated \$1.1 million in FY 2002-03. The revenue that would be generated from the sale of a cancer awareness plate is not determinable. The Department of State's cost to develop the new plate would be covered by the \$15,000 paid by the organization requesting the plate, pursuant to Senate Bill 785.

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