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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Reported by House Criminal Justice

Primary Sponsor: Rep. Stoltzfus

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: Yes

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Highlights

- The addition of offenses to the list of moving violations that are subject to an additional fine of not more than \$100 will increase revenues distributed to the state, counties, municipalities, and townships, as applicable.

Detailed Analysis

The bill adds the offenses of failure to control and passing a stopped school bus to the list of moving violations that are subject to an additional fine of not more than \$100 if the offender committed the offense while distracted, and makes clarifying changes to the texting-while-driving and distracted driving law.

The bill will not result in additional citations being issued, but may generate an additional \$100 in fine revenue from each citation that would already be issued under current law for the offenses of failure to control and passing a stopped school bus. The fine revenue is distributed to the state, counties, municipalities, and townships, as applicable. In calendar year 2018, there were a total of 38,013 citations issued for failure to control and 1,483 citations issued for passing a stopped school bus. The number of those to which the additional fine would have applied as involving a distracted driver is indeterminate.

The clarifying changes to the texting-while-driving and distracted driving law are not expected to have a direct fiscal effect on the state or political subdivisions.