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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 1237  
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**Subject:** Fees collected by DMV  
**Requestor:** Senate Finance  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Dunbar  
**Impact Date:** April 19, 2016

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

|                                  | <b>FY 2016-17</b> | <b>FY 2017-18</b> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>State Expenditure</b>         |                   |                   |
| General Fund                     | \$0               | \$0               |
| Other and Federal                | \$0               | \$0               |
| Full-Time Equivalent Position(s) | 0.00              | 0.00              |
| <b>State Revenue</b>             |                   |                   |
| General Fund                     | \$0               | \$0               |
| Other and Federal                | \$0               | \$0               |
| <b>Local Expenditure</b>         | \$0               | \$0               |
| <b>Local Revenue</b>             | \$0               | \$0               |

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill would reduce fees and fines revenue from the Department of Motor Vehicles by an estimated \$71,750,000 and generate a corresponding \$71,750,000 of revenue for the state highway account of the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank in FY 2016-17. This bill would have no impact to the General Fund or Federal Funds.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**State Expenditure**

**The Department of Transportation.** The Department indicates that this bill would have no expenditure impact to the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**State Revenue**

This bill amends Sections 56-19-520(A)(4), 56-19-420(C), 56-1-550, 56-1-200, 56-1-170(B)(3), 56-1-740(B)(3), 56-5-750(G)(3), 56-1-460(A)(1)(e)(iii), 56-1-286(K)(1), 56-5-2951(B)(1), 56-5-2951(H)(3), 56-1-746(D)(3), 56-1-2080, 56-1-400(A), 56-1-390(2), 56-3-355, 56-3-1335, 12-37-2740(D), and 56-9-330 of the South Carolina Code so that the revenue generated from various operating fees and fines collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles be reallocated to the state highway account of the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank. Based upon a preliminary analysis of data from the Department of Motor Vehicles, revenues generated relating to these operating fees and fines were \$37,766,607 in FY 2014-15. This portion of the bill would reduce the Department of Motor Vehicles fees and fines revenue by an estimated \$38,750,000 and generate a corresponding \$38,750,000 revenue increase to the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank in FY 2016-17.

This bill also amends Sections 56-10-240(C), 56-10-245, 38-73-470, and 56-10-552 of the South Carolina Code so that the revenue generated from uninsured motorist fees and fines collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles be reallocated to the state highway account of the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank. Based upon a preliminary analysis of data from the Department of Motor Vehicles, revenues generated relating to the uninsured motorist fees and fines were \$31,286,016 in FY 2014-15. This portion of the bill would reduce the Department of Motor Vehicles fees and fines revenue by an estimated \$33,000,000 and generate a corresponding \$33,000,000 revenue increase to the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank in FY 2016-17.

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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## The Department of Motor Vehicles Fine and Fees Projections

|                          | <b>FY 2014-15<br/>Collections</b> | <b>FY 2015-16<br/>Projection</b> | <b>FY 2016-17<br/>Projection</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Motor Vehicle Title Fees | \$11,664,092                      | \$11,750,000                     | \$12,000,000                     |
| Driver's License Fees    | \$4,350,553                       | \$4,400,000                      | \$4,500,000                      |
| Penalties                | \$8,390,847                       | \$8,500,000                      | \$8,500,000                      |
| Sale of Information      | \$13,361,115                      | \$13,500,000                     | \$13,750,000                     |
| Total                    | \$37,766,607                      | \$38,150,000                     | \$38,750,000                     |
| Financial Responsibility | \$11,836,689                      | \$12,000,000                     | \$12,500,000                     |
| Financial Responsibility | \$19,449,327                      | \$20,000,000                     | \$20,500,000                     |
| Total                    | \$31,286,016                      | \$32,000,000                     | \$33,000,000                     |
|                          | <b>\$69,052,623</b>               | <b>\$70,150,000</b>              | <b>\$71,750,000</b>              |