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**Bill Number:** H. 3615 Amended by House Education and Public Works Motor

Vehicle Subcommittee on February 22, 2017

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Subject: Dylan Paul Mitchell Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Act

Requestor: House Education and Public Works

RFA Analyst(s): Wren

Impact Date: March 1, 2017 - Updated for additional agency response

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$2,200	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

#### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

The bill will increase non-recurring General Fund expenses of the Department of Motor Vehicles by \$2,200. The bill will have no expenditure impact on Other Funds or Federal Funds. The bill is not expected to significantly impact local government expenditures or revenue. The state expenditure section of this fiscal impact statement has been updated to include a response from the Department of Motor Vehicles.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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# **Updated for Additional Agency Response**

### **State Expenditure**

The bill amends various code sections related to pedestrian and bicyclist safety. It provides definitions and requirements for drivers. The bill adds that a driver who fails to yield to a vulnerable road user is guilty of a misdemeanor and must be required to successfully complete the National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course or its equivalent within six months after the conviction.

**Department of Motor Vehicles.** The agency indicates that this bill will increase non-recurring expenses by \$2,200 for programming and coding associated with the potential driver's license suspension for not completing the National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course or

equivalent within six months after conviction of the misdemeanor. This section was updated based upon a response from the agency.

#### **State Revenue**

The amended bill makes it a misdemeanor for a driver to fail to yield to a vulnerable road user who has the right-of-way. The misdemeanor is in addition to any other finding of a violation of any other provision of law. Existing law distributes revenue generated from fines, assessments, and surcharges imposed for such convictions among the General Fund, specified state agencies and programs, and local governments. Although data is not available to project the number of convictions or amount of fine that may be assessed, the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office does not expect the state share of any additional revenue generated as a result of this bill to be significant.

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**Department of Motor Vehicles.** This bill does not operationally impact the department. Therefore, we do not expect this bill will have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

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