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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number:	S. 1036	Introduced on March 19, 2026
Subject:	Rental Car Insurance	
Requestor:	Senate Transportation	
RFA Analyst(s):	Vesely	
Impact Date:	April 14, 2026	

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill allows a renter to agree that in the event of an automobile accident involving the rental car, the renter's automobile liability insurance company will pay up to its limits of liability before the rental car company must pay.

The Department of Insurance (DOI) reports that this bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency as additional insurer filings are not expected and the bill will not otherwise impact the operations of the agency.

This bill may impact insurance premiums which would impact insurance premium tax revenue. DOI indicates that the impact of this bill, if any, on automobile insurance premiums is unknown. Any change to insurance premium taxes due this bill will depend upon the change in insurance premium.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

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State Revenue

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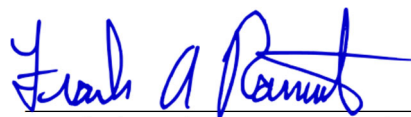
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Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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