

HF1597 - 0 - Task Force on Estab. a Yellow Alert System Estab.

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 Committee: **Transportation Finance and Policy**
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 Lead Agency: **Public Safety Dept**
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 Governors Office Secretary of State
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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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Governors Office	-	-	-	-	-	-
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Total						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
Governors Office	-	-	-	-	-
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

Lead LBO Analyst's Comment

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General Fund		-	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
Governors Office		-	-	-	-	-
General Fund						
Expenditures		-	-	1	-	-
Absorbed Costs		-	-	(1)	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Governors Office		-	-	-	-	-
General Fund		-	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-

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Biennial Total				-		-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

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Biennial Total			-			-
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Bill Description

This proposal would establish a task force with the purpose of establishing a system to enlist public assistance in rapidly locating vehicles that leave the scene of a hit-and-run crash.

Subd. 2 provides statutory definitions associated with the bill and Subd. 3 outlines the membership of the task force as well as the process for filling vacancies. Subd. 4 and 5 gives an overview of the task force officer makeup, cadence of meetings, and the duties. The final pieces of the proposal requires report submissions to various members of the legislature along with the expiration of the task force.

Assumptions

Office of Traffic Safety

The participation of staff from the Office of Traffic Safety on the task force is “at the pleasure of the appointing agency.” Therefore, any staff attendance at any meetings will be in the scope of existing duties. Should the task force request data or the expertise of research scientists, it is assumed that the number of hours required will be minimal and that staff can provide available data within the scope of existing responsibilities.

Minnesota State Patrol

It is assumed that the collection of data on hit-and-run crashes and analysis of alert systems used by other states that required within the duties of the task force would be completed by another state agency or contracted vendor. Therefore, other than participation by a representative from the Minnesota State Patrol on the task force, there will be no fiscal impact for the State Patrol. Familiarity training of these statutes would be conducted at regularly scheduled in-service sessions with all State Troopers if these changes were made.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

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 Agency: **Governors Office**

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Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
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General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

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Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-
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2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
General Fund						
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Biennial Total				-		-

Bill Description

Relates to public safety, establishes a Task Force on Establishing a Yellow Alert System to design a system to enlist public assistance in rapidly locating vehicles that leave the scene of a hit-and-run accident and make policy and funding recommendations to the legislature with a report.

Assumptions

The legal and appointments team will prepare the appointments required under this bill as part of their regular appointments work.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

The Governor's Office will absorb the costs of this work.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

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Bill Description

This bill establishes a task force on establishing a yellow alert system to enlist public assistance in locating vehicles that leave the scene of a hit-and-run accident. Lines 1.21 through 2.21 describe the appointment of the task force’s members. Lines 2.29 through 3.17 describe the task force’s duties.

Assumptions

Minnesota Statutes sections 15.0597 and 15.0599 require the secretary of state to publish notices of vacancies, collect applications, assist with appointments, and prepare reports on multimember agencies (including state boards, commissions, councils, committees, authorities, and task forces). As part of this process, the Office of the Secretary of State consults with all multimember agencies on their reporting and appointment requirements.

The Office of the Secretary of State assumes that whenever a new multimember agency is created, work is required by public records staff to establish the agency on the secretary’s website and to train the agency staff on how to appoint members to their agency and make other changes and requests. There is also some staff time spent consulting periodically with multimember agencies throughout the year.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Board Set-up and Consultation

8 hours of OSS Public Records staff time per new board at an average rate of salary and benefits of \$41.07/hour.

$$\$41.07 \times 8 = \$328.56$$

\$328.56 (FY27)

The Secretary of State is able to absorb the costs identified on a one-off basis, but as more multimember agencies are created each year by the legislature, the Office’s capacity to assist all entities in a timely manner will diminish and additional funding may be required. These activities are not anticipated to displace any other work of the office.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

None.

Local Fiscal Impact

N/A

References/Sources

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Bill Description

The bill establishes a task force to design a system to enlist public assistance in locating vehicles that hit-and-run. The bill also charges the task force with making policy and funding recommendations, and the bill appropriates funds.

Sec. 1, subd. 1 establishes the task force, and subd. 2 defines terms. Subd. 3 establishes membership, requiring appointments by September 1, 2026. Appointment lengths are indefinite, leading up to the report's submission. Members will not be compensated. Subd. 4 sets the initial meeting's deadline as October 1, 2026. Subsequent meetings occur monthly or as determined by the elected chair. Subd. 5 outlines the task force's duties. Subd. 6 requires the task force, by January 15, 2027, to submit a report to the legislature. Subd. 7 expires the task force upon submission of its report.

Sec. 2 appropriates general funds to the Department of Public Safety.

Assumptions

MnDOT assumes that MnDOT staff work would not be significant and that Public Safety would be responsible for the majority of the work relating to report submission. MnDOT assumes minimal FTE hours spent attending task forces meetings, resulting in negligible costs.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

No MnDOT fiscal impact.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

None

Local Fiscal Impact

None

References/Sources

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Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	Biennial Total			-		-

Bill Description

This bill establishes the Task Force on Establishing a Yellow Alert System is established to design a system to enlist public assistance in rapidly locating vehicles that leave the scene of a hit-and-run accident and make policy and funding recommendations to the legislature. The task force includes a member from the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of Minnesota.

Assumptions

The University assumes University staff work would not be significant and time spent attending task force meetings would result in negligible costs.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

The task force expires the day after submitting its report.

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

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