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Senate Bill 277 (Substitute S-1 as reported) Sponsor: Senator Joe Hune Committee: Transportation

## <u>CONTENT</u>

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to remove a requirement that all commercial vehicles over 5,000 pounds display the vehicle owner's information on the vehicle.

The Code requires all commercial vehicles with a single or combination gross weight rating or total gross weight of more than 5,000 pounds, and all towing or platform bed wrecker or road service vehicles, to paint or permanently attach the owner's or lessee's name, city, and state, or registered logo or emblem, on each side of the vehicle.

The bill would remove the display requirement as to commercial vehicles over 5,000 pounds, but retain it for all towing or platform bed wreckers or road service vehicles in operation on public highways in the State.

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Legislative Analyst: Glenn Steffens

## FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate, but likely minor, negative fiscal impact on State and local government. By decreasing the number of vehicles to which the commercial vehicle identification rules apply, the bill could result in a marginal decrease in civil infraction tickets issued. Violators of this section who are found responsible for a civil infraction pay a fine of \$18, which benefits public libraries. In addition to the fine, a violator pays court costs and a \$40 Justice System Assessment, which benefits a variety of State entities such as the Highway Safety Fund of the Michigan State Police.

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