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BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 774 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Joe Young, Jr.
Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the sentencing guidelines provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure to include assault or battery causing physical injury to a driver of a “public transit vehicle”, as proposed by Senate Bill 275 (S-1). The offense would be categorized as a Class F felony against a person, with a statutory maximum sentence of four years’ imprisonment.

Senate Bill 774 (S-1) would take effect 90 days after its enactment and is tie-barred to Senate Bill 275.

MCL 777.16d

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on State and local government.

There are no data to indicate how many people could be convicted of assaulting a public transit worker. The offense would be a Class F felony for which the range of minimum sentences is 0-3 months to 17-30 months, so an offender could receive an intermediate sanction or a prison term.

Assuming that five offenders a year were convicted of this new offense, and that they were given the highest minimum sentence, annual costs for incarceration for this crime, based on the average yearly cost of \$22,000 to incarcerate, would be \$275,000.

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