

Legislative Analysis



VEHICLE FLEET REGISTRATION: INCREASE FLEET SIZE AND ALLOW RENTAL VEHICLES

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Senate Bill 1013 (S-1) as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. David Hildenbrand
House Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure
Senate Committee: Transportation
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SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1013 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to do all of the following:

- Increase the minimum number of vehicles required to be in a fleet of vehicles to qualify for special registration plates from 25 to 300.
- Allow passenger vehicle rental fleets to be registered under the section.
- Exempt passenger vehicle rental fleets from a requirement that vehicles issued fleet registration plates must prominently display the name, emblem, trademark, or logo of the company to which they are issued.

The bill would take effect April 1, 2019.

MCL 257.801h

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government. Special fleet registration plate taxes are the same as standard registration plate taxes. The bill has a delayed effective date of April 1, 2019, which is aligned to be shortly after the scheduled completion of the vehicle portion the Department of State's Customer and Automotive Record System (CARS) project to modernize its legacy information technology (IT) vehicle and driver systems into updated platforms. The Department of State reports that if the bill were enacted prior to this date, it would likely incur marginal costs in trying to implement the bill's requirements while it transitions from its legacy IT system to the new system.

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