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Senate Bill 77 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Mike Nofs
Committee: Transportation

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to do the following:

- Require the Secretary of State (SOS) to develop and issue a Thin Blue Line fund-raising plate and a matching Thin Blue Line collector plate.
- Create the "Thin Blue Line Fund" within the State Treasury and require the donation money from the sale of the plates to be deposited into the Fund.
- Require the money in the proposed Fund to be disbursed on a quarterly basis to the Thin Blue Line of Michigan.
- Require the Thin Blue Line of Michigan to spend the money to assist families of injured or deceased officers of public safety agencies.

Proposed MCL 257.811jj

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would create a start-up cost to the Department of State; however, the start-up fee prescribed in the Code would have to be paid to the Department from the Thin Blue Line Fund proposed in the bill. (The start-up fee recently was changed to the latest three-year average, which has not yet been determined by the Department.) The revenue generated from the Thin Blue Line fund-raising license plate and collector plate established under the bill would be deposited into the proposed Fund, after which the State Treasurer would disburse payments from the Fund on a quarterly basis to the Thin Blue Line of Michigan.

The bill would have no fiscal impact on local government.

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