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## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

Bill: H.B. 297 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor: Rep. Hagan Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Transfer-on-death designation for motor vehicle, watercraft, and outboard motor titles

## **State & Local Fiscal Highlights**

- The bill has no direct fiscal effect on the state.
- Certain probate courts may experience a no more than minimal savings in time and effort for each title that is transferred through a transfer-on-death designation instead of through the probate process.

## **Detailed Fiscal Analysis**

The bill permits owners of a motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard motor who have joint ownership with right of survivorship to transfer title through a transfer-ondeath designation rather than through the probate process, as required by current law. Under current law, unchanged by the bill, an individual with sole ownership of a motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard motor is already permitted to transfer title in this manner. In the event that a title is transferred through a transfer-on-death designation instead of through the probate process, it is possible that the bill may result in a no more than minimal savings of time and effort for certain probate courts.

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