



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 290 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by House Transportation and Public Safety

Sponsor: Rep. Blessing

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: "St. Xavier High School" license plate

State & Local Fiscal Highlights

- The Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) will experience an increase in expenditures of \$6.08 to produce each requested pair of "St. Xavier High School" license plates, which will be offset by the bill's required \$10 BMV administrative fee.
- The amount credited to the existing License Plate Contribution Fund (Fund 5V10) and then paid to the St. Xavier High School (\$30 contribution per pair) will depend upon demand for the license plate, which is uncertain.
- The bill will have no direct fiscal effect on any of the state's political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill creates the "St. Xavier High School" license plate that is available to all Ohio motorists. As summarized in the table below, a motorist applying for the plate must pay: (1) a \$10 Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) administrative fee, and (2) a \$30 contribution to be used by St. Xavier High School. The bill specifies that the implementation and termination procedures that typically apply to special license plates do not apply to the "St. Xavier High School" license plate. The bill will have no direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

"St. Xavier High School" License Plate			
Special License Plate	BMV Fee	Required Contribution	Contribution Recipient
St. Xavier High School	\$10	\$30	St. Xavier High School

Bureau of Motor Vehicles

The BMV currently produces special license plates via a digital print-on-demand process. The total cost to produce a pair of these plates is \$6.08. Under the bill, a person obtaining a "St. Xavier High School" license plate must pay an administrative fee of \$10, the purpose of which is to compensate the BMV for additional services required in issuing the plate. The administrative fees will be credited to the Public Safety – Highway

Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0),¹ which is used in part to pay the BMV's expenses related to titling motor vehicles, licensing drivers, and registering motor vehicles. The magnitude of the annual revenues and expenditures generated by the license plate will depend upon demand, which is uncertain.

St. Xavier High School

The \$30 contribution paid for the issuance of the "St. Xavier High School" license plate will be credited to the existing License Plate Contribution Fund (Fund 5V10) and then paid to St. Xavier High School, located in Springfield Township (Hamilton County). St. Xavier High School is required to use the money: (1) to provide tuition assistance to its students (50%), and (2) to provide services to its students that help them to develop or maintain mental and emotional well-being (50%). The amount of revenue generated for St. Xavier High School will depend upon demand for the license plate, which is uncertain.

The bill subjects St. Xavier High School to an annual reporting requirement that, under existing state law, applies to certain local schools or school districts for which a license plate is established. By December 1 of each year, St. Xavier High School must submit the report to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. If the high school fails to submit the report by December 31 of any year, the Registrar must divert the contribution for each registration involving the school license plate, which it would otherwise receive, to the Treasurer of State for deposit into the state's General Revenue Fund. Once the Registrar receives a report from the high school, the Registrar must immediately resume transmitting the contributions for that plate to the Treasurer of State for distribution to the high school.

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¹ The Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) was created in H.B. 26 of the 132nd General Assembly to consolidate the existing State Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fund (Fund 4W40), State Highway Safety Fund (Fund 7036), Highway Safety Salvage and Exchange Administration Fund (Fund 8300), and Highway Safety Salvage and Exchange Highway Patrol Fund (Fund 8410). Fund 5TM0 became effective on July 1, 2017.