

BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR COMMERCIAL DRIVERS' LICENSES



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HOUSE BILL 5504 AS INTRODUCED

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SUMMARY

House Bill 5504 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to require that both state-level and federal-level criminal background check be conducted for commercial drivers' license applicants. The Department of State estimates that 31,000 to 32,000 individuals initially apply for commercial drivers' licenses annually. While the bill does not specifically authorize the Department of State Police to charge a fee for the required background checks, the department routinely charges a fee of \$39 (\$15 for the state-level check and \$24 for the federal-level check). Annual fee revenue and associated expenditures by the department would therefore increase by an estimated \$1.2 million under the bill. (Note: Executive Order 2001-9 raised the state-level portion of the fee from \$15 to \$30, effective for FY 2001-02 only. If this higher fee level were assumed, the revenue/expenditure estimate increases to \$1.7 million.)