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Senate Bill 705 (as introduced 8-31-05)
Sponsor: Senator Cameron S. Brown
Committee: Technology and Energy

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 51 of 1951, the Michigan Transportation Fund Law, to require the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to analyze the tasks to be undertaken to establish a hydrogen highway in this State by the year 2010.

Under the bill, a hydrogen highway would be a highway that provided hydrogen fueling stations at designated locations no farther than 20 miles apart along the length of the highway.

By June 1, 2007, MDOT would have to submit to the Legislature a written report containing all of the following:

- The potential highways to be designated hydrogen highways.
- The geographic locations for fueling stations.
- Expected vehicle use.
- Possible funding sources for the fueling stations, including Federal and private sources.
- Further recommendations for legislation to assist in the development of a hydrogen highway in this State.

Proposed MCL 247.651j

Legislative Analyst: Julie Koval

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would result in increased administrative costs to MDOT associated with the requirement to submit a written report to the Legislature by June 1, 2007.

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