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House Bill 4726 (Substitute S-1 as reported by the Committee of the Whole) Sponsor: Representative Roy Schmidt House Committee: Transportation Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

<u>CONTENT</u>

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to reduce the number of parking citations for which a person's failure to appear precludes issuance or renewal of a driver license.

Under the Code, if a person has failed to answer six or more parking violation notices or citations regarding illegal parking, the court may notify the person that if he or she does not appear within 10 days, the court will inform the Secretary of State (SOS) of his or her failure to appear. Upon being informed, the SOS may not issue a license to or renew a license for the person until the court informs the SOS that he or she has resolved all outstanding matters regarding the notices or citations and the person has paid to the court a \$45 driver license clearance fee.

Under the bill, these provisions would apply to a person who failed to answer three or more notices or citations for illegal parking. The bill also would require, rather than allow, the court to notify the person that the SOS will be informed if the person fails to appear.

The bill would take effect 90 days after it was enacted.

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Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill could increase revenue received from the Driver License Clearance Fee to the extent that additional driver licenses were not issued or renewed. The current allocation of the \$45 fee is as follows: Secretary of State: \$15; Juror Compensation Reimbursement Fund: \$15; and local units of government: \$15.

In FY 2008-09, the Driver License Clearance Fee generated \$11.7 million.

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