Legislative Analysis



STATE PARK EXEMPTION FOR HISTORIC VEHICLES IN CLASSIC CAR SHOWS

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SUMMARY:

Under House Bill 4969, certain motor vehicles that are part of a car show, classic car cruise, or other event dedicated to the history of automobiles held at a Michigan state park would be exempt from the requirement that vehicles have a park permit or a recreation passport to enter a state park. This would apply to vehicles that have either:

- A valid historic registration plate or tab issued under Section 803a of the Michigan Vehicle Code; or
- An authentic Michigan registration plate issued under Section 803p, which allows the owner of an historic vehicle to use an authentic plate of the same year as the model year in which the vehicle was manufactured instead of an historic vehicle registration plate.

The bill would take effect 90 days after being enacted.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4969 would decrease revenue for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR); the extent of this decrease is unclear. Revenue generated from Recreation Passport sales and daily parking fees could be forgone if HB 4969 becomes law. Recreation Passport sales generated an estimated \$26.0 million in FY 2014-15, which was divided between DNR and the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (Secretary of State) according to statutory formula. It is uncertain exactly what portion, if any, of this annual revenue would be lost due to car chows, classic car cruises, or other events at state parks dedicated to the history of automobiles if HB 4969 becomes law. This bill would have no fiscal impact on local units of government.

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