

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 455 (First Edition)

SHORT TITLE: SHP Reimbursement for Special Events

SPONSOR(S): Representative McCombs, et al.

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes (X)	No ()	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>	<u>FY 2004-05</u>	<u>FY 2005-06</u>
REVENUES					
General Fund	\$666,441	\$721,746	\$787,932	\$861,597	\$941,840
EXPENDITURES					
General Fund	<u>\$ 4,000</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
	\$662,441	\$721,746	\$787,932	\$861,597	\$941,840
POSITIONS:					
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT (S) & PROGRAM (S) AFFECTED:	Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, State Highway Patrol				
EFFECTIVE DATE:	July 1,2001				

BILL SUMMARY:

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES BY THE STATE HIGHWAY PATROL AT EVENTS CONDUCTED BY PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. This bill orders that private organizations to reimburse the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety for one-half the costs for traffic control and other ancillary services provided by the State Highway Patrol.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

State Highway Patrol

Estimated costs for service given by the SHP are based on events they covered in 2000. As special events vary year to year, so too would the costs for services. The calculated the cost of 46 events which required a total of 2,345 personnel for a total of 39,193 hours. Events included in SHP's estimate include for-profit, corporate, or similar private events. Since the

bill does not give a specific definition for “private organization,” SHP did not include civic or non-profit events that require additional personnel to manage unusual traffic. If the intent of the bill is to include non-profit and civic events, the revenues would be considerably more. The estimated revenues listed in this fiscal note for future years are based on costs provided by SHP, accounting for inflation.

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
Mileage	\$ 55,927.93	\$ 50,894.41	\$ 52,421.25	\$ 54,518.09	\$ 55,226.83
Meals	\$ 24,441.91	\$ 24,881.87	\$ 25,454.15	\$ 26,065.05	\$ 26,742.74
Lodging	\$ 65,403.42	\$ 66,646.08	\$ 68,112.30	\$ 69,746.99	\$ 71,560.42
Salary	\$1,187,108.19	\$1,301,070.58	\$1,429,876.56	\$1,572,864.22	\$1,730,150.64
TOTAL COST	\$1,332,881.45	\$1,443,492.94	\$1,575,864.26	\$1,723,194.36	\$1,883,680.63
REIMBURSE.	\$ 666,440.72	\$ 721,746.47	\$ 787,932.13	\$ 861,597.18	\$ 941,840.31

Crime Control and Public Safety Controller’s Office

The Department’s Controller estimates that a one-time cost of about \$4,000 would be needed for computer programming and staff training to implement this bill. The program would be set up with internal resources within the existing payroll system.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- 1) The bill directs the revenues to be paid to the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety for services provided by the State Highway Patrol. The main funding source for SHP is the Highway Fund. The bill does not specify if the intent is to supplement or to supplant Highway Fund money.
- 2) The bill provides no definition for “private organization.” Presumably, the SHP would determine which groups are expected to reimburse SHP for services.

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