BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 1770
Version: Introduced
Request Number: 5031
Author: Rep. Dobrinski
Date: 2/22/2021
Impact: Minimal potential increase in fine revenue

Research Analysis

HB 1770 provides certain rules of operation for bicyclists at traffic-control devices. The measure also directs bicyclists to use hand and arm signals to indicate turns and stopping. The measure provides that is considered reckless driving for any person driving a motor vehicle to harass, taunt or maliciously throw an object at or in the direction of any person riding a bicycle, equine or animal drawn vehicle. The bill prohibits the use of a horn when passing a person riding a bicycle, equine or animal drawn vehicle under normal conditions if no danger of a collision exists..

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1770, as introduced, modifies traffic regulations related to the operation of a bicycle. The measure provides traffic regulations for bicycles approaching stop signs and red lights. The measure also provides that it shall be deemed reckless driving for any person driving a motor vehicle to harass, taunt, or maliciously throw an object at or in the direction of any person riding a bicycle, equine or animal-drawn vehicle.

By expanding the scope of a reckless driving violation, the state may realize an increase in fine revenue. This would depend on the number of violations, but is most likely minimal.

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Other Considerations

None.

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