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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6972

BILL NUMBER: SB 374

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 27, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Child Passenger Restraint Systems Exception.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Mishler

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. T Brown

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides that the laws relating to the use of passenger restraint systems for children do not apply to the operator of a motor vehicle used in the following:

- (1) A funeral procession.
- (2) The return trip to the funeral home.
- (3) Both the procession and the return trip.

It repeals and relocates the definition of "funeral procession" and it makes conforming amendments.

Effective Date: July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: Under current law, a person with an Indiana driver's license who operates a motor vehicle with a child under 8 years of age who is not properly fastened and restrained commits a Class D infraction. There are no data available to indicate how vehicle operators are cited and fined during a funeral procession or return trip to a funeral home.

Background Information: The maximum judgment for a Class D infraction is \$25, which is deposited in the state Child Restraint System Account.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts, local law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources:

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