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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6494

BILL NUMBER: HB 1108

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 12, 2008

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Roadside Memorials.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Tincher

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Department of Transportation (INDOT) to erect uniform roadside memorials to memorialize the victims of fatal vehicular traffic accidents. It requires a local governmental unit that erects memorials to conform to the standards of INDOT.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: INDOT estimates \$625 as start-up costs, along with the purchase of signs at \$92 each. Expenditures for signs will depend upon the number purchased as requested by members of decedents' immediate families. Vehicular fatalities have averaged 903 in Indiana over the last five calendar years. It is not known how many people would request a roadside memorial. If 100 signs were made, the cost of the signs would be \$9,200. The fund affected is the State Highway Fund.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Expenditures for local units will increase if they elect to participate in the program, and expenditures will depend upon the number of signs purchased by local units. It is not known how many people would request a roadside memorial.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: INDOT.

Local Agencies Affected: Those units which erect roadside memorials.

Information Sources: INDOT estimate, adjusted for inflation; Indiana Criminal Justice Institute report on vehicular fatalities in Indiana for CY 2003 through 2007.

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