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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6162**  
**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1215

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 17, 2009  
**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 17, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Trauma Care Hospital Fund.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Brown C  
**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**   **GENERAL**  
                          **X DEDICATED**  
                          **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

STATE IMPACT	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
State Revenues		9,955,260	9,955,260
State Expenditures		9,955,260	9,955,260
Net Increase (Decrease)			

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill creates the nonreverting Trauma Care Hospital Fund to be administered by the State Department of Health (ISDH) to assist in funding a trauma care system in Indiana. The bill includes funds from additional court fees for certain motor vehicle violations.

(The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Health Finance Commission.)

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Trauma Care Hospital Fund:* This bill establishes the Trauma Care Hospital Fund to assist in funding a trauma care system to prevent injuries, save lives, and improve the care and outcome of individuals injured in Indiana. The fund is to be administered by the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH). The fund consists of appropriations, gifts and bequests, fees deposited in the fund, and grants received from the federal government or private sources. The expenses of administering the fund are to be paid from money in the fund. Money in the fund does not revert to the state General Fund at the end of a state fiscal year.

The fund is to be used to establish and maintain an appropriate level of trauma care access in the state. The ISDH is to make quarterly payments from the fund to hospitals that operate a Level 1 or Level 2 trauma care center. The ISDH is to determine the amount to be paid to each trauma center based on the number of trauma patients served and the certification level of the trauma center. The bill would also allow the ISDH discretion in making payments available to hospitals that are attempting to obtain trauma care center certification based on geographic need for the services.

*Adoption of Rules:* The bill requires the ISDH to adopt rules to implement the requirements of the bill. The ISDH should be able to do so within its existing level of resources.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** (Revised) *Summary:* The bill provides for an increase in fees for certain motor vehicle operating violations. Estimated revenue is shown in the following table.

<b>Summary of New Revenue</b>	
<b>Type</b>	<b>Revenue</b>
Operating Violations	\$9,955,260
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,955,260</b>

(Revised) *Background Information: Motor Vehicle Operating Violation Fees:* The bill requires a clerk to collect a fee of \$18 for certain motor vehicle operating violations. Clerks should be able to do so within their existing level of resources.

The bill requires a clerk of a circuit court to distribute monthly to the Auditor of State the aforementioned motor vehicle operating violation fees for deposit in the Fund. During CY 2007, an estimated 553,000 persons were found guilty of one of the specified motor vehicle operating violations according to Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) reports. Assuming these numbers remain consistent, the fund would receive approximately \$10.0 M annually in fees from motor vehicle operating violations fees.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** See *Explanation of State Revenues*.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** ISDH; BMV.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Clerks of the Court; Marion County Health and Hospital Corporation .

**Information Sources:** BMV.

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