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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 33 (Chairman, Judicial Proceedings Committee)
(Departmental - Transportation)

Judicial Proceedings

Vehicle Law - Businesses and Associations - Federal Identification Number

This departmental bill requires the application for a certificate of title for a vehicle owned by a business, association, or corporation to include a federal identification number.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Minimal administrative efficiency savings for the Motor Vehicle Administration and the Comptroller's Office.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: The Department of Transportation has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

Analysis

Current Law: If the applicant for a certificate of title is a business, association, or corporation, the application must only contain the business address in the State or the name and address of a resident agent in this State.

Background: Currently, the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) assigns a unique code number for each business that applies for a title.

State Effect: The bill allows the MVA to use the federal identification number in lieu of the code number and thereby eliminates the step of assigning the code number. Additionally, the

Comptroller's Office uses the federal identification number to identify commercial vehicle information. Using the same identifying number would eliminate the need for cross referencing of numbers between the two agencies.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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