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Senate Bill 183 (Senator Astle)

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Historic Motor Vehicles - Safety Equipment Repair Orders

This bill authorizes a police officer to issue a safety equipment repair order to the driver of a historic vehicle (Class L) if the officer determines that the vehicle is being operated with equipment that does not meet the minimum standards for the vehicle's model year. The bill provides that a driver of a Class L (historic) vehicle manufactured before the 1960 model year is exempt from receiving an equipment safety repair order by altering the definition of vehicle to exclude Class L vehicles manufactured before the 1960 model year.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill's requirements could be handled with existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: A historic vehicle is a vehicle that is at least 20 years old, is not substantially different from the manufacturer's original design, and is not used as primary transportation. Historic vehicles need only the equipment required by law in the year the vehicle was put into service. Historic vehicles are exempt from any periodic inspections or emission control testing.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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