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SB17-213

FISCAL NOTE

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Hill; Moreno **Bill Status:** Senate Transportation
 Rep. Winter; Bridges **Fiscal Analyst:** Erin Reynolds (303-866-4146)

BILL TOPIC: AUTOMATED DRIVING MOTOR VEHICLES

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue	See State Revenue section.	
State Expenditures	Potential workload impact. See State Expenditure section.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: Ongoing potential revenue reduction and workload impact.		

Summary of Legislation

The bill declares the regulation of automated driving systems a matter of statewide concern. As such, as long as these vehicles comply with state and federal laws, they may not be regulated by local authorities. Under the bill, the testing of vehicles not yet capable of complying with state and federal laws is required to be coordinated by the Colorado State Patrol in the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT).

State Revenue

In future years, the bill may reduce state cash fund revenue from traffic fines and court fees related to a reduction of traffic infractions resulting from human error. To the extent that a TABOR refund obligation is present, this reduction in state cash fund revenue will reduce the refund obligation from the General Fund by an equivalent amount.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2017-18, the bill may minimally increase workload for DPS and CDOT to the extent that these agencies are involved in coordinating vehicle testing. This workload increase is expected to be accomplished within the existing appropriations of each department. As no requirements are made in the bill for an alternate titling and registration model, no impact is expected for the Department of Revenue.

As discussed in the State Revenue section, the bill has the potential to reduce traffic infractions, which will reduce workload for the Judicial Department in future fiscal years.

Local Government Impact

To the extent local governments need to adopt new ordinances and rules to comply with state laws regulating autonomous vehicles, workload will increase.

Similar to the state impact, future revenue and expenditure reductions may occur from a reduction in traffic infractions. To the extent these reductions occur, workload for district attorneys and county courts, including Denver County Court, as well as county jail costs will be reduced.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 9, 2017, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 10, 2017, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	County Clerks	District Attorneys
Human Services	Information Technology	Judicial
Law	Local Affairs	Municipalities
Public Safety	Regional Transportation District	Revenue
Sheriffs	Special Districts	Transportation