

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1633

Bill Subtitle: TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY DAMAGE TO A VEHICLE INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT REQUIRES AN ACCIDENT REPORT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Basic Change :

Sponsors: Rep. Pearce and Sen. J. Petty

HB1633 amends § 27-53-202 concerning the amount of property damage that must be involved in an accident to require the driver to notify law enforcement. Under current law, the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person, or property damage to an apparent extent of \$1,000, is required to notify the nearest law enforcement agency immediately. HB1633 raises the threshold of property damage required to \$3,000.

Revenue Impact :

None.

Taxpayer Impact :

A driver involved in an accident that resulted in injury or death of any person or property damage to the apparent extent of \$3,000 would be required to notify law enforcement immediately.

Resources Required :

None.

Time Required :

Adequate time is provided for implementation.

Procedural Changes :

The Office of Driver Services would have to update procedures for placing an accident on a driver's record.

Other Comments :

None.

Legal Analysis :

HB1633 may benefit from an amendment to also raise the \$1,000 threshold in § 27-19-501, which requires the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in damage to property in excess of \$1,000 to report the accident to the Office of Driver Services of the Department of Finance and Administration.