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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6600**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1112**

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 6, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Local government notice of sign removal.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that the Indiana Department of Transportation (IDOT) must provide notice to the local governmental unit of the removal of a sign erected by a local governmental unit if the Department determines the sign is an encroachment on a state highway.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2000.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** Notifying a local governmental unit by certified mail of a sign that encroaches on a state highway will increase expenses to the IDOT by a minimal amount. The cost of mailing an item by certified mail is \$2.97. Additional expenses would be dependent on the number of notices that need to be sent and would be covered within the Department's existing budget.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Currently the IDOT removes signs that are determined to be encroaching on a state highway. This bill provides a local governmental unit an opportunity to remove a sign rather than having the sign removed and incur cost for replacing the removed sign. The signs removed by IDOT are not returned to the local governmental unit. Therefore, there is a cost to a local governmental unit if they need to replace the removed sign. Aluminum signs with one ink color range in price from \$6.72 for a 6" x 24" sign to \$50.40 for a 30" x 36". There is an additional cost for signs having more than one color.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Transportation.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local governmental units.

**Information Sources:** U.S. Postal Services, Customer Service Center, (317) 464-6000. PEN Products.