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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7135**

**BILL NUMBER: SB 483**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 6, 2009**

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Confidentiality of Accident Reports.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Steele

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
 **DEDICATED**  
 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill restricts the release of an accident report filed with the State Police Department to certain persons. It restricts the release of personal information in the report if the report is released to the general public.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** The bill will decrease money received for crash reports and would likely require modification of an existing contract between the Indiana State Police (ISP) and its contractor, which would potentially reduce revenue to the state for crash reports.

**Background:** In August 2006, the ISP contracted with Holt, Sheets, and Associates to operate the state's vehicle crash record system. The duration of the contract is 48 months. The contractor retains 90% of the revenues from the sale of crash reports and crash data as remuneration for the contracted services. The Price Schedule and Vehicle Crash Records Fee Summary specifies that the cost of a collision report is \$12; 1,000 data records is \$100; and the contractor may negotiate subscription fees with third parties on a case-by-case basis.

State revenues in FY 2007 and FY 2008 decreased because the state receives 10% of the revenue collected by the contractor. Total crash report revenue would actually be higher than in previous years and are estimated at \$390,120 for FY 2007 and \$298,050 for FY 2008. Revenues received by the state from the sale

of accident reports follow.

FY 2004	\$102,039
FY 2005	90,268
FY 2006	90,445
FY 2007	39,012
FY 2008	29,805

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** ISP.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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