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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6002

BILL NUMBER: SB 11

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 11, 2013

BILL AMENDED: Feb 5, 2013

SUBJECT: Motorsports Trailers.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Wyss

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Davis

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill defines "motorsports". The bill provides that combinations of trucks, tractors, semitrailers, and trailers used in connection with motorsports are exempt from certain length limitations.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: *Penalty Provision:* This bill specifies that motorsports tractor-trailers are exempt from coupling combinations regulations contained in current law. The bill also specifies maximum length restrictions for motorsport trailers. Violation of these restrictions would be punishable as a Class C infraction (IC 9-20-18-12). As a result of this bill, the number of Class C infractions in the state could change. Any change in the number of Class C infractions, if any, is expected to be small.

The maximum judgment for a Class C infraction is \$500, which would be deposited in the state General Fund. However, any loss of revenue is likely to be small.

Special Towing Permit: Under current law, a towing business that does not wish to comply with the towing requirements contained in IC 9-20-9-9 can request a special towing permit from the Indiana Department of Transportation for operation. By exempting motorsports tractor-trailer combinations from towing requirements in current law, this bill may also reduce the number of special towing permits requested in the state. However,

the Department of State Revenue, Motor Carrier Division, reports that for the past 10 years there is no information on the number of special towing permits issued in the state or any record of revenue being received for special towing permits.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: *Penalty Provision:* If there is a change in the number of Class C infraction court actions that are filed or judgments that are entered, local government revenue from court fees could change. However, any impact on court fee revenue is likely to be small.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts, local law enforcement agencies.

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