

HB 140 -- MOTORCYCLE PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR

SPONSOR: Crawford

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Transportation and Motor Vehicles by a vote of 15 to 2.

This bill lowers the fine for failure to wear protective headgear when operating a motorcycle from \$25 to \$10.

FISCAL NOTE: Cost to General Revenue of Minimal in FY 2004, FY 2005, and FY 2006. Estimated Net Effect on State School Money Fund of \$0 in FY 2004, FY 2005, and FY 2006.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will make fines for failure to wear helmets consistent with the fines established for failure to wear seat belts.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Crawford; Freedom of Road Riders; Edward Shepard; and Mike Slone.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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