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Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute to HB 1426 exempts rural firefighters in official emergency vehicles in the performance of their duties from certain prohibited acts in relation to turnpikes as laid out in the measure.

The prohibited acts laid out in the measure include:

- Entering part of a turnpike enclosed by a fence except by vehicle at authorized entrances;
- Failing to pay the toll or operating a vehicle, in which the registered owner is liable for outstanding toll violations;
- Crossing a turnpike anywhere except grade separations provided for crossing;
- Traveling a turnpike on foot or hitchhiking on a turnpike;
- Removing or damaging a turnpike fence;
- Driving or operating any man-powered vehicle on a turnpike; and
- Driving on any section of turnpike that has been closed to traffic.

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Fiscal Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to HB 1426 adds rural firefighters in official emergency vehicles in the performance of their duties to the list of exempted entities from certain turnpike restrictions. Upon review, this measure has no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

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