NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 54 (House Finance Committee Sub.)

SHORT TITLE: No Add'l Fee for Legion of Valor/ Pearl Harbor Survivor

SPONSOR(S): Rep. Gardner

FISCAL IMPACT

Yes (X) No () No Estimate Available ()

FY 1997-98 FY 1998-99 FY 1999-00 FY 2000-01 FY 2001-02

REVENUES

Highway Fund - Special

Registration Plate Account (\$1,810) (\$1,810) (\$1,810) (\$1,810)

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &

PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Transportation - Division of Motor Vehicles

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act is effective when it becomes law.

BILL SUMMARY: The bill removes the \$10 special plate fee for Legion of Valor and Pearl Harbor survivor license plates.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: Only 22 persons in North Carolina have the Legion of Valor plate. Since the plate is issued only to recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, the Navy Cross, and the Air Force Cross, the number of plates will always be limited. At \$10 a plate, HB 54 would reduce the Special Registration Plate Account by \$220 per year.

In 1996, DMV reported 159 active Pearl Harbor plates in the state. The Special Registration Plate Account will lose \$1,590 each year if the \$10 fee is removed from this plate. This number could grow in the short term if Pearl Harbor veterans move into the state to retire.

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