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BILL NUMBER: SHB 5630
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AMENDMENTS:

TITLE: "AN ACT CONCERNING LITTERING AND ILLEGAL DUMPING"

FAVORABLY REPORTED BY Environment, Judiciary

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/1/92

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER SHB 5630

STATE IMPACT	Minimal Cost and Potential Revenue Gain, see explanation below
MUNICIPAL IMPACT	Minimal Cost, Potential Revenue Gain, see explanation below
STATE AGENCY(S)	Environmental Protection, Judicial, Public Safety, Attorney General

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:

STATE IMPACT: Since the provisions in this bill concerning enforcement of illegal dumping and littering are discretionary, any increased activity on the parts of the Department of Environmental Protection and Public Safety will be handled when existing resources permit. Only a minimal number of cases are anticipated to be pursued a year. Any increase in the caseload of the Attorney General or the Judicial Departments is anticipated to be minimal and absorbed within existing resources as well. Changes in the penalties for littering and illegal dumping could increase revenue to the General Fund, as would sale of a seized vehicle, but the increase, if any, would depend upon the number and magnitude of the penalties and cannot be determined.

MUNICIPAL IMPACT: Authorizing municipal officials to take on enforcement activities would increase municipal responsibilities. Since the provisions of the bill are discretionary, these duties would only be taken on when resources permit. Any increase in revenue to municipalities due to enforcement activities would depend upon the number of cases and penalties and cannot be determined.