

## SF5117 - 0 - Lights On grant program establishment

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative.  
 Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Dollars in Thousands					
Highway Users Tax Distribution	-	-	1,200	1,200	1,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,200</b>
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>1,200</b>		<b>2,400</b>

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Highway Users Tax Distribution	-	-	.07	.07	.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.07</b>	<b>.07</b>	<b>.07</b>

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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### State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

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\*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium			Biennium
Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Highway Users Tax Distribution	-	-	1,200	1,200	1,200
Total	-	-	1,200	1,200	1,200
Biennial Total			1,200		2,400
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*					
Highway Users Tax Distribution	-	-	1,200	1,200	1,200
Total	-	-	1,200	1,200	1,200
Biennial Total			1,200		2,400
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*					
Highway Users Tax Distribution	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-		-

### Bill Description

This bill directs DPS to establish a new grant program to provide drivers with vouchers up to \$250 to use at participating auto repair shops to repair or replace broken or malfunctioning lighting equipment required under sections 169.49 to 169.51.

Sec. 2 provides an annual appropriation from the HUTD fund for \$1,200,000.

### Assumptions

As directed in the bill, DPS would make a grant to the Lights On! organization to administer and manage the Lights On Grant Program.

Lights On! is an organization that already administers a microgrant program for this purpose. Through the grant, DPS would partner through a grant contract with Lights On! to utilize their existing processes to establish and manage the program.

DPS assumes it would utilize up to 5% of the appropriation for staff costs to administer the program as is allowed under Minnesota Statute 16B.98 subd. 14. (5% x 1,200,000 = up to \$60,000). Staff would administer and monitor the appropriation. Staff would also administer the grant with Lights On! including managing the grant contract, reviewing reimbursement requests, monitoring, and reporting.

DPS estimates a similar position to a state program administrator principal classification at an average rate of \$39.49/hour + 30% fringe rate = \$51.33/hour. DPS estimates 150 staff hours per year, or 0.07 FTE (150 hrs / 2088 = 0.07 FTE).

### Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

\$1,200,000 FY25 and beyond from the HUTD

150 hours / year x \$51.33/ hour (salary + fringe) = \$7,699.50 / fiscal year. (rounded to \$8,000)

150 hrs / 2088 = 0.07 FTE

Grant to Lights On! = \$1,192,000

### **Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

### **Local Fiscal Impact**

### **References/Sources**

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