Fiscal Note

BILL # SB 1525 TITLE: median barriers; study committee;

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SPONSOR: Gabaldón **STATUS:** Senate Engrossed

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Description

SB 1525 would establish a study committee to make recommendations regarding the installation of additional median barriers on the state's interstate highways. The committee would be required to report by December 15, 2022.

Estimated Impact

The study committee would result in minimal costs given its short life span.

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) did not provide an estimated impact of the bill.

Analysis

SB 1525 establishes a new interstate barrier median expansion study committee consisting of 15 members. The committee would be charged with examining the current landscape of median barriers throughout the state and would look at the feasibility of installing such barriers along highways. The bill would also require the committee to provide a historical accounting of fatalities from crossover accidents as well as look at best practices for barrier installation. The committee would be required to report their recommendations for administrative and legislative action by December 15, 2022, including a proposed priority list of median barriers to be installed in the state.

Local Government Impact

None

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