

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2754

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Plum

**3. Committee:** Transportation

**4. Title:** When headlights to be lighted.

**5. Summary:** Requires every vehicle in operation to display lighted headlights. Currently headlights are required to be lighted only from sunset to sunrise; during any other time when, because of rain, smoke, fog, snow, sleet, insufficient light, or other unfavorable atmospheric conditions, visibility is reduced to a degree whereby persons or vehicles on the highway are not clearly discernible at a distance of 500 feet; and whenever windshield wipers are in use as a result of fog, rain, sleet, or snow. The bill removes provisions making the failure to display lighted headlights when windshield wipers are in use as a result of fog rain, sleet, or snow (a) a secondary offense, (b) subject to no demerit points being assessed, and (c) not a defense to any claim for personal injury or recovery of medical expenses for injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from the provisions of this bill. Implementation of this bill's provisions would result in more individuals being fined for traffic infractions punishable by a fine of not more than \$250. All such fines are deposited in the state's Literary Fund. At this time, it is not feasible to determine the likely increase in revenue that would be deposited to the Literary Fund as a result of the provisions of this legislation.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None