

Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

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LRB Number 13-4153/1	Introduction Number AB-0713
Description Driving skills tests for certain noncommercial motor vehicle drivers	
Fiscal Effect	
State:	
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	
Local:	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
Fund Sources Affected	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	
Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, with limited exceptions, an applicant for an operator's license authorizing operation of "Class D" vehicles, which are automobiles and most passenger vehicles, is required to successfully complete a knowledge test and a driving skills (road) test. This bill eliminates DOT's authority to contract with third-party testers and law enforcement agencies for road tests and instead creates a road test certification and waiver procedure. Under this bill, DOT may enter into a contract with any public or private entity permitted to offer courses in driver education or training (driver training school) authorizing the driver training school to certify that an individual who has received instruction in driver education or training from the school (student) is eligible to be exempted from the road test generally required to obtain an operator's license for a "Class D" vehicle.

State: The department's driver education consultant may be asked to provide instructional assistance to local school districts to help inform them about the law and help them comply with the law. In addition, the department may send a bulletin to school districts informing them of the change in the law. The cost of performing these tasks is indeterminate. Assuming that DOT would have responsibility for doing most of the training and program development activities that would be needed, the cost to the DPI of providing supplementary information and assistance could be absorbed by the department.

Local: The fiscal effect of allowing a public school offering courses in driver education approved by DPI or a nonpublic or private school or tribal school offering courses in driver education that meet the minimum standards set by DPI to contract with the DOT to certify that their students are eligible to be exempt from the driving skills test is indeterminate. It is unknown how many schools will attempt to contract with the DOT to offer this option and how many schools will be approved by DOT to offer this option. For those schools that are approved by DOT to offer this option, it is unknown whether those schools will see increased or reduced demand for driver education classes since other driver schools can also be approved to exempt their students from the driving skills test. Finally, it is unclear whether schools that do see increased demand will lose revenue or gain revenue since it is unknown how many schools charge fees for their driver education programs that exceed the costs of those programs. As a result, the local fiscal effect will vary from school to school and is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications