

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 1231 HB	Title: Traffic lane merge education
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2021-23		2023-25		2025-27	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2021-23				2023-25				2025-27			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Washington State Patrol	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Licensing	.0	0	0	7,000	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Superintendent of Public Instruction	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	7,000	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2021-23			2023-25			2025-27		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Washington State Patrol	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Licensing	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Superintendent of Public Instruction	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1231 HB	Title: Traffic lane merge education	Agency: 225-Washington State Patrol
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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- Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Briefly describe by section number, the significant provisions of the bill, and any related workload or policy assumptions, that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency.

This proposed legislation would require driver education courses to include in their curriculum instruction on the late-merge zipper method. This consists of drivers using both lanes of traffic until reaching the defined merge area and then alternating in "zipper" fashion into the single lane.

There is no fiscal impact to the Washington State Patrol as it would not create any additional workload.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Briefly describe and quantify the cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency, identifying the cash receipts provisions by section number and when appropriate the detail of the revenue sources. Briefly describe the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explain how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguish between one time and ongoing functions.

None

II. C - Expenditures

Briefly describe the agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), identifying by section number the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings). Briefly describe the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explain how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguish between one time and ongoing functions.

None

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Identify acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and describe potential financing methods

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part IVB*

NONE

None

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1231 HB	Title: Traffic lane merge education	Agency: 240-Department of Licensing
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2022	FY 2023	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
Account					
Highway Safety Account-State 106-1	7,000	0	7,000	0	0
Total \$	7,000	0	7,000	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Briefly describe by section number, the significant provisions of the bill, and any related workload or policy assumptions, that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency.

This bill adds the late merge zipper method to the driver's knowledge test examination, and requires the department to make instructional materials available to all drivers, and modify driver instructional curriculum materials for people in driver's education courses.

Section 1 amends RCW 46.20.130 to require that the driver knowledge test include testing on the late merge zipper method to be applied when two lanes are merging, which consists of drivers using both lanes of traffic until reaching the defined merge area and then alternating in "zipper" fashion into the single lane.

Section 2 adds a new Section in Chapter 46.20 RCW stating that DOL shall provide an instructional poster, video, tutorial, or document with info on the late merge zipper method, to be available for viewing to all DL renewal applicants who request a DL renewal at an LSO.

Section 3 amends RCW 46.80.420 that updates DTS required curriculum to include late merge zipper method.

Section 4 amends RCW 46.82.430 to require that instructional materials used in driver training schools include information on the proper use of the left-hand lane by motor vehicles on multilane highways, and the late merge zipper method.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Briefly describe and quantify the cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency, identifying the cash receipts provisions by section number and when appropriate the detail of the revenue sources. Briefly describe the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explain how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguish between one time and ongoing functions.

This bill will not have an impact on cash receipts.

II. C - Expenditures

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Implementation of this bill will require expenditures to add questions to the knowledge test question bank. Driver's knowledge testing is provided through a vendor that maintains questions in multiple languages. DOL will add four questions that will be available during knowledge tests on a randomized basis. The vendor cost to add these questions is \$5,500. This is a one-time cost.

DOL's Driver Training School Program (DTS) will update the required curriculum in section 3 of the bill, and the instructional materials called out in section 4 of the bill. Maintaining up to date curriculum and instructional materials is typical and standard activity for the DTS program and will not require additional resources.

The instructional materials requirement can be satisfied by adding relevant information to the driver's guide. Costs to update and produce driver's guides are in the department's base appropriations. In addition, DOL can also produce an instructional video with in-house resources to further meet this requirement of the bill.

The bill does not require that a lane merge requirement become part of the driver's skills test, therefore there are no operational impacts to DOL's driver's examining units.

Implementation of this bill will not require modifications of DOL's information technology systems.

Standard FTE goods and services (object E) costs are included on Table 3.B.1. Standard FTE costs do not include objects EM (AG services), ER (contractual services), and EZ (Other goods & Svcs) which are also shown in Table 3.B.1.

Agency Administrative Overhead is included at a rate of 26 percent of the direct program costs. This funding received covers agency-wide functions such as vendor payments, contract administration, financial management, mail processing, equipment management, help desk support, and technical assistance to DOL employees.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2022	FY 2023	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
106-1	Highway Safety Account	State	7,000	0	7,000	0	0
Total \$			7,000	0	7,000	0	0

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2022	FY 2023	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
FTE Staff Years					
A-Salaries and Wages	1,000		1,000		
B-Employee Benefits					
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	6,000		6,000		
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
Total \$	7,000	0	7,000	0	0

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

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NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part IVB*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1231 HB	Title: Traffic lane merge education	Agency: 350-Superintendent of Public Instruction
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NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Briefly describe by section number, the significant provisions of the bill, and any related workload or policy assumptions, that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency.

Section 1(1)(b) amends the Department of Licensing's (DOL's) existing "content and conduct of examinations"? RCW to include testing on the late merge zipper method.

Section 2 is a new section. It requires DOL to provide instructional material with information on the late merge zipper method for all renewal applicants who renew at a licensing office.

Section 3(2)(f) amends the inclusion of the late merge zipper method to the state driver training required curriculum.

Section 4 amends that driver training schools instructional material will include information on the late merge zipper method?.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

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This bill would have no expenditure impact on the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). Instruction provided by DOL will be included in the required curriculum.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

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NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part IVB*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required