

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

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| Bill Number: 1244 HB | Title: Driver training alternative | Agency: 240-Department of Licensing |
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

| ACCOUNT | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 | 2029-31 |
|---|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Highway Safety Account-State 106-1 | (4,300) | (6,400) | (10,700) | (8,600) | (8,600) |
| Move Ahead WA Flexible Account-State 26Q-1 | (4,300) | (6,400) | (10,700) | (8,600) | (8,600) |
| Total \$ | (8,600) | (12,800) | (21,400) | (17,200) | (17,200) |

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

| Account | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 | 2029-31 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Highway Safety Account-State 106 -1 | 143,000 | 0 | 143,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | 143,000 | 0 | 143,000 | 0 | 0 |

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

The cash receipts and expenditure estimates on this page represent the most likely fiscal impact. Factors impacting the precision of these estimates, and alternate ranges (if appropriate), are explained in Part II.

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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

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

Section 1: Amends RCW 46.20.2892 to allow a safe driving course to be taken in lieu of suspension when training is completed before suspension goes into effect or to allow early termination of suspension once training is completed. A safe driving course can only be taken to avoid or shorten suspension once every 5 years.

Section 2: Amends RCW 46.20.311(1)(e)(i) to update reference to RCW 46.20.2892 from subsection 3 to subsection 5.

Section 3: Establishes an effective date of April 1, 2026, for this proposal.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

Please see attached fiscal note.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

See attached fiscal note.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

| Account | Account Title | Type | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 | 2029-31 |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 106-1 | Highway Safety Account | State | 143,000 | 0 | 143,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | | | 143,000 | 0 | 143,000 | 0 | 0 |

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

| | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 | 2029-31 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| FTE Staff Years | | | | | |
| A-Salaries and Wages | | | | | |
| B-Employee Benefits | | | | | |
| C-Professional Service Contracts | | | | | |
| E-Goods and Other Services | 143,000 | | 143,000 | | |
| 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 \$ | 143,000 | 0 | 143,000 | 0 | 0 |

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals 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

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

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

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Agency 240 – Department of Licensing

Bill Number: HB 1244

Bill Title: Driver Training Alternative

Part 1: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts:

| Revenue | Fund | FY 26 | FY 27 | 25-27 Total | 27-29 Total | 29-31 Total |
|-----------------------|------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Highway Safety Fund | 106 | (4,000) | (6,000) | (10,000) | (8,000) | (8,000) |
| Move Ahead Washington | 26Q | (4,000) | (6,000) | (10,000) | (8,000) | (8,000) |
| Account Totals | | (8,000) | (12,000) | (20,000) | (16,000) | (16,000) |

Estimated Expenditures:

| | | FY 26 | FY 27 | 25-27 Total | 27-29 Total | 29-31 Total |
|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| FTE Staff Years | | - | - | - | - | - |
| Operating Expenditures | Fund | FY 26 | FY 27 | 25-27 Total | 27-29 Total | 29-31 Total |
| Highway Safety | 106 | 143,000 | - | 143,000 | - | - |
| Account Totals | | 143,000 | - | 143,000 | - | - |

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| Request # | 1 |
| Bill # | 1244 HB |

Part 2 – Explanation

This bill makes changes to RCW 46.20.2892 to allow a driver to complete a safe driving course earlier on in the process to avoid a license suspension. Drivers would only be eligible for this program once every five years. Additionally, a driver will serve a suspension if they receive an additional ticket during their probationary period after participation in the program.

2.A – Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Section 1: Amends RCW 46.20.2892 to allow a safe driving course to be taken in lieu of suspension when training is completed before suspension goes into effect or to allow early termination of suspension once training is completed. A safe driving course can only be taken to avoid or shorten suspension once every 5 years.

Section 2: Amends RCW 46.20.311(1)(e)(i) to update reference to RCW 46.20.2892 from subsection 3 to subsection 5.

Section 3: Establishes an effective date of April 1, 2026, for this proposal.

2.B - Cash receipts Impact

This bill allows drivers with multiple tickets to complete a safe driving course earlier in the process, helping them avoid license suspension. The proposed changes enable licensees to take the course without incurring the following costs:

- \$20 replacement license fee
- \$100 in possible occupational/restricted driver license fees

This change is expected to result in a revenue loss of approximately \$8,000 annually through 2037.

2.C – Expenditures

The department estimates the total expenditures to be \$142,700. This includes one-time costs to modify the department’s information technology systems logic to reinstate a driver once in 5 years when they complete the safe driving course for accumulating tickets. This will include changing the probationary start date to the compliance date. In addition, make updates to the letters associated with this process.

| Cost Category | Description | Rate | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | Total Cost |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|
| TESTER | Test to verify individual components meet requirements; ensure that other business transactions have not been impacted. | \$ 27,144 | 40,700 | - | - | - | - | - | 40,700 |
| BUSINESS ANALYST | Determine business requirements; translate requirements into what changes are needed to various systems including account codes, inventory codes, testing considerations, etc. | \$ 19,836 | 7,900 | - | - | - | - | - | 7,900 |
| PROJECT MANAGER | Manage schedule and contracts | \$ 34,452 | 10,300 | - | - | - | - | - | 10,300 |
| SECURITY AND ARCHITECT SERVICES | Create the conceptual model that defines the structure, behavior and framework of a computerized system including a breakdown of the system into components, the component interactions and interfaces (including with the environment, especially the user), and the technologies and resources to be used in the design. | \$ 19,836 | 4,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 4,000 |
| CONTRACTED FAST DEVELOPER / TESTER | Updates to the DRIVES system will require additional vendor hours outside of the contracted maintenance to make system updates to implement this bill. | \$ 37,236 | 55,900 | - | - | - | - | - | 55,900 |
| Trainer | Trains business partners and employees in new system processes and capabilities. | \$ 27,144 | 10,900 | - | - | - | - | - | 10,900 |
| Project Contingency | Office of the Chief Information Officer designated rate of 10% | \$ 29,023 | 13,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 13,000 |
| Totals | | | 142,700 | - | - | - | - | - | 142,700 |

Part 3 – Expenditure Detail

3.A – Operating Budget Expenditures

| Operating Expenditures | Fund | FY 26 | FY 27 | 25-27 Total | 27-29 Total | 29-31 Total |
|------------------------|------|----------------|----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Highway Safety | 106 | 143,000 | - | 143,000 | - | - |
| Account Totals | | 143,000 | - | 143,000 | - | - |

3.B – Expenditures by Object or Purpose

| Object of Expenditure | FY 26 | FY 27 | 25-27 Total | 27-29 Total | 29-31 Total |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| Goods and Services | 143,000 | - | 143,000 | - | - |
| Total By Object Type | | 143,000 | - | 143,000 | - |

3.C – FTE Detail

| | FY 26 | FY 27 | 25-27 Total | 27-29 Total | 29-31 Total |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| FTE Staff Years | - | - | - | - | - |

Part 4 – Capital Budget Impact

None

Part 5 – New Rule Making Required

Implementation of this bill will not require new rulemaking. No additional expenditures are associated with this rulemaking process.