

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA



Session 2009

Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 417 (First Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Drivers License Changes/Young Drivers.

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Daughtry, Cole, Sutton, and Killian

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes (X)	No ()	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2009-10</u>	<u>FY 2010-11</u>	<u>FY 2011-12</u>	<u>FY 2012-13</u>	<u>FY 2013-14</u>
REVENUES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
EXPENDITURES	\$30,430	\$5,772	\$5,772	\$5,772	\$5,772
POSITIONS (cumulative):	0	0	0	0	0
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Division of Motor Vehicles					
EFFECTIVE DATE: This bill is effective October 1, 2009.					

BILL SUMMARY: This bill increases the length of time that a person who is at least 16 but less than 18 years old is required to maintain a provisional license from six to 12 months. The bill increases the time period that a person who is at least 16 but less than 18 who is convicted of a motor violation, a seat belt infraction, or a violation of G.S. 20-137.3 must continue to maintain a provisional license from six months to 12 months.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

The Division of Motor Vehicles used the following assumptions to develop the estimated cost. Any change to the assumptions could change the estimated cost.

1. No other age groups are impacted.
2. The cost of the driver license will remain the same.
3. The change in expiration dates will apply to limited provisional licenses issued on or after this bill becomes law.
4. No additional driver tests will be administered to receive the privilege other than those that are currently administered.

5. No additional system codes will be needed to track violations or infractions.
6. With current resource constraints, this effort could not start before December 1, 2009 and could not be completed before March 1, 2010

The State Automated Driver License System (SADLS) will require the following modifications to make changes to limited provisional licenses.

1. Modify the certification system original, renewal and duplicate notification process date, age, and cost calculations
2. Modify the certification system age cutoff parameter to indicate that a person who is at least 16 years old but less than 18 years old has held the limited provisional license for at least 12 months.
3. Modify the certification system to check for expirations and suspensions based on the new timeframe of limited provisional drivers licenses.
4. Modify the certification system lookup parameter to check for violations and/or infractions based on the previous 12 months.

The DMV estimates that 248 hours will be required to make the necessary modifications. At \$85 per hour, this will result in a total cost of \$21,080. The Office of Information Technology Services costs will add 25 percent. A change budget of 20 percent is also included, adding \$4,216 to DMV's cost and \$1,054 to ITS's cost, for a total project cost of \$30,430. The DMV estimates annual maintenance will require 40 hours at \$85 per hour, for a total cost of \$3,400, plus ITS costs of \$850, for a total annual maintenance cost of \$4,250. Annual operations costs, estimated at five percent of development costs, or \$1,522, will result in a total annual cost of \$5,772.

SOURCES OF DATA: Division of Motor Vehicles

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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