

Colorado Legislative Council Staff

HB16-1021

FINAL FISCAL NOTE

FISCAL IMPACT:	⊠ State □ Local □ Statuto	ry Public Entity	□ Conditional I	□ No Fiscal Impact
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BILL TOPIC: RACE INFO ID APPLICATION

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018			
State Revenue					
State Expenditures	Minimal workload increase.				
Appropriation Required: None.					
Future Year Impacts: None.					

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) in the Department of Revenue (DOR) to modify the application process for driver's licenses and state-issued identification cards. Revised applications for these documents must include the opportunity for an applicant to self-identify his or her race or ethnicity. If an applicant chooses to report his or her race or ethnicity information, the information must not be printed on the card, but rather maintained in the stored information on the card's magnetic strip and accessible to a law enforcement officer through card readers.

Background

Under current law, the DMV collects approximately 15 specified pieces of data from individuals applying for driver's licenses, instruction permits, and identification cards. The DMV also collects approximately five additional pieces of personal data on a voluntary basis, such as emergency contact information or an applicant's willingness to be an organ donor. Certain information is required to be printed on the license, permit, or identification card, and other information is stored in the division's driver's license system (DLS), which is available immediately to any law enforcement agency equipped with magnetic card readers.

DRIVES. The DMV has a capital project currently underway to replace both the state's Driver's License System (DLS) and the Colorado State Titling and Registration System (CSTARS) with an updated system known as the Driver License, Record, Identification and Vehicle Enterprise Solution (DRIVES). The DRIVES system is expected to be fully operational in August 2018, with the driver's license portion that replaces the DLS functionality scheduled to come online March 2017, followed by the portion that replaces the CSTARS functionality.

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State Expenditures

The bill will minimally increase workload in the DOR beginning in FY 2016-17 to include the computer programming required under the bill into the DRIVES project.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect June 10, 2016. It applies to driver's licenses and state identification card applications made on or after March 1, 2017.

State and Local Government Contacts

Clerk and Recorders Higher Education Information Technology Local Affairs Public Safety Revenue

Research Note Available

An LCS Research Note for HB16-1021 is available online and through the iLegislate app. Research notes provide additional policy and background information about the bill and summarize action taken by the General Assembly concerning the bill.