



Fiscal Note

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HB 25-1243: PEACE OFFICER QUESTIONS DURING TRAFFIC STOP

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Bill Outcome: Postponed Indefinitely

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Fiscal note status: The final fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. This bill was postponed indefinitely by the House Judiciary committee on April 2, 2025; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill would have prohibited peace officers from asking persons if they are aware of the reason they were pulled over.

Types of impacts. The bill was projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Workload
- Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation was required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill prohibits peace officers who are making a traffic stop from asking the driver or passenger if they know the reason for the traffic stop. The peace officer must inform the driver of the reason or reasons for the stop, unless informing the driver would be unreasonable under the totality of the circumstances. If a peace officer fails to comply with this law, it is not grounds for dismissal of a charge or exclusion of evidence.

State Expenditures

Judicial Department

Any trial court impact from disputing traffic citations is expected to be minimal as a peace officer's failure to comply is not grounds for case dismissal.

Department of Public Safety

The Colorado State Patrol will have a minimal workload impact to train officers on the bill's requirements.

Local Government

Local law enforcement agencies will have a minimal workload impact to train officers.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	Police Chiefs
Judicial	Public Safety
Municipalities	Sheriffs

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).