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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 539 (Delegate DeCarlo)

Commerce and Government Matters

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**Vehicle Laws - Driver Education - Increased Hours of Highway Driving Instruction**

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This bill increases the number of instructional driving hours that an applicant must complete before the individual qualifies to take a driver skills or driver road examination for a provisional license from six to eight hours.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal. Small businesses that provide driver training courses may experience an increase in costs due to the increase in the hours of road instruction. However, it is assumed that much of that increase could be offset by an increase in fees.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** An individual must complete six hours of highway driving instruction before the individual qualifies to take a driver skills examination or driver road examination for a provisional license.

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**Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** SB 379 (Senator Roesser, *et al.*) - Judicial Proceedings.

**Information Source(s):** Maryland Department of Transportation (Motor Vehicle Administration), Department of Legislative Services

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