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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 56 (Chairman, Judicial Proceedings Committee)
(Departmental – Transportation)

Judicial Proceedings

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**Motor Vehicle Administration - Collection of Fees - Reinstatement of Revoked
Driving Privileges**

This departmental bill modifies the collection of fees for the reinstatement of a driver's license by the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) by combining the application and reinstatement fees.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill would not change the total reinstatement fees charged by the MVA. Potential minimal increase in revenues if individuals apply for reinstatement before meeting the requirements, then re-apply at a later time.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: The MVA has determined that this bill will have minimal or no impact on small business (attached). Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

Analysis

Current Law: The MVA currently charges drivers seeking to reinstate their licenses a \$15 application fee and a separate reinstatement fee (\$30 for nonalcohol-related revocations and \$60 for alcohol-related revocations). The fee amounts are not set in statute; however, the law does require payment of two separate fees.

Background: The MVA advises that drivers who are working to reinstate their driver's license must pay two fees separately and that the proposed bill would simplify the application process and reduce the number of offices that applicants must visit to complete the reinstatement process. The MVA reinstates approximately 5,000 drivers per year. The bill is also intended to make MVA operations more efficient and economical.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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