

**Department of Planning and Budget**  
**2026 General Assembly Session**  
**State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**ORIGINAL**

**Bill Number:** SB309

**Patron:** Pekarsky

**Bill Title:** Driver education programs; voluntary initiatives for drivers with autism spectrum disorder.

**Bill Summary:** Requires driver education programs to include information about voluntary initiatives for drivers with autism spectrum disorder, including the driver communication improvement program, the driver's license indicator option, and the registration indicator option. The bill also directs the Board of Education to prepare, publish, and distribute instructional materials about these voluntary initiatives.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**Items Impacted:** None

**Explanation:** There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from the provisions of this bill. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

**Fiscal Analysis:** The Department of Education can absorb any impact to update requirements for driver education programs and prepare and distribute instructional materials. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

**Other:** None