Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB399E **Patron:** Diggs
Bill Title: Driver training school and driver training instructors; standards; discipline; report.

Bill Summary: Provides that the Commissioner shall deny an instructor application or revoke an instructor's license to provide driver education courses for minors if the instructor has been convicted of certain sex crimes or any offense that requires registration on the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry. The bill removes the five-year limitation on the period the Department of Motor Vehicles is authorized to set for a licensee whose license was revoked to reapply and provides that if the revocation was due to a conviction of (a) driving under the influence, (b) reckless driving, (c) refusal to submit to alcohol or drug testing, or (d) vehicular manslaughter, such period shall be no less than 10 years. The bill requires the Department to establish and maintain a public, searchable database of disciplinary action taken by the Department against an instructor or driver training school. The bill requires driver training schools to notify students, prospective students, and guardians thereof of any such disciplinary actions taken in the preceding 24 months or while such student is enrolled. The bill also requires the Department to annually by November 1 submit a report to the Chairs of the House and Senate Committees on Transportation detailing such disciplinary actions.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** N/A
Explanation: The agency will support expenses with existing nongeneral fund appropriation.

Fiscal Summary: The impact on nongeneral fund Department of Motor Vehicles expenditures is estimated at $124,579 one-time in FY27 for information system related implementation costs. Any additional unanticipated state fiscal impact that may result from this proposal is expected to be absorbed with existing resources.

Nongeneral Fund Expenditure Impact:

Agency	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031
DMV	$0	$**124,579**	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL	**$0**	**$124,579**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

Fiscal Analysis: The bill proposes that the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) establish and maintain a searchable database of disciplinary actions taken by the Department against an instructor or driver training school. The DMV estimates that the information system development costs will be approximately $124,579 one-time in FY27. Any additional operational costs that may result from this proposal are expected to be absorbed with existing resources.

Other: HB559 is a companion bill.