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

PUBLISHED: 3/10/2026 12:23 PM **ORIGINAL**

Bill Number: HB1224ER **Patron:** Delaney
Bill Title: Driver's licenses; requirements for initial licensure; persons age 18 to 21.

Bill Summary: Expands from 60 days to 90 days the length of time an applicant for a first-time noncommercial driver's license who is at least 18 years old and not more than 21 years old is required to hold a learner's permit and requires such an applicant to complete a course of driver instruction prior to being issued a driver's license. The bill provides that learner's permits other than motorcycle learner's permits, accompanied by other documentation verifying that the driver is at least 18 years old and less than 21 years old and has successfully completed an approved driver's education course, constitute a temporary driver's license for the purpose of driving unaccompanied by a licensed driver 18 years old or older, provided that certain other requirements are met. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2027.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** None
Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: Any anticipated state fiscal impact related to implementation costs associated with this bill is expected to be absorbed within existing resources.

Fiscal Analysis: The Department of Motor Vehicles anticipates some information system costs associated with implementation of this bill, but these costs can be absorbed through the normal course of business operations.

Other: This bill is a companion to SB396.