

1 SB BILL NO. 204
 2 INTRODUCED BY
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 5 COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATIONS AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH IN EACH COUNTY; AND
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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for SB0204, as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

A bill requiring the Department of Justice to schedule commercial driver's license examinations at least once a month in each county.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The Department of Justice (DOJ) is currently providing at least monthly commercial driver license (CDL) examination services in 24 counties. Implementation of this bill will require the scheduling of CDL testing in an additional 32 counties not currently receiving those services.
2. The CDL driving test is mandatory for only the initial license, and it is currently provided on a scheduled basis.
3. This fiscal note assumes that DOJ will use existing staff and equipment to provide the additional services. This, however, will result in some scheduling delays in the 24 counties currently served. It is estimated that each year staff would spend approximately 1,500 hours traveling an additional 78,000 miles to provide CDL testing in these additional 32 counties.
4. Increased operating expenses are estimated at \$20,500 for FY98 and \$21,300 for FY99. Increases represent \$500 annually for increased communications costs, \$3,000 annually for travel/per diem and \$17,000 in FY98 and \$17,800 in FY99 (assumes vehicle costs of \$.22/mile in FY98 and \$.23 in FY99) for increased vehicle mileage/lease costs from the state motor pool lease program. The DOJ is assuming that it will be able to obtain testing space at no cost from local county governments.
5. Revenues are projected to remain revenue neutral since individuals currently travel to other locations to obtain the CDL testing services.

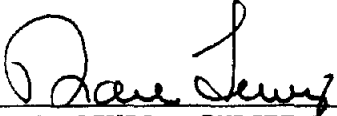
FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures:

	<u>FY98</u>	<u>FY99</u>
	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Operating Expenses	20,500	21,300

Funding:

General Fund (01)	20,500	21,300
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DAVID LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE
Office of Budget and Program Planning

LINDA NELSON, PRIMARY SPONSOR DATE

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20 NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. [THIS ACT] IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1997.

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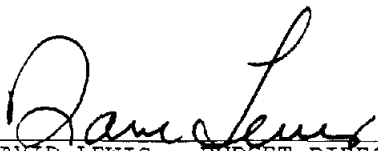
An act requiring the Department of Justice to schedule commercial driver's license examinations in a county if previously scheduled through the Department of Justice.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The Department of Justice is currently providing at least monthly commercial driver license (CDL) examination services in 24 counties. The department would expand scheduling within the counties to provide examination services to meet the requests of the public.
2. The department would use existing staff and equipment to provide the additional services which may result in longer scheduling delays and/or decreased services in the home stations of the personnel utilized to provide the additional services.
3. It is anticipated that operating expenses for the increased services would be absorbed by the department since the travel to provide the examinations would be coordinated with other requested services (such as vin inspections).
4. Revenues are projected to remain revenue neutral since individuals currently travel to other locations to obtain the CDL testing services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There would be no fiscal impact to the state.

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