

Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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BILL TOPIC: NONCITIZEN RESIDENT IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS

Fiscal Impact Summary*	FY 2015-2016	FY 2016-2017
State Revenue	\$76,838	
Revenue Change		
Cash Funds	76,838	
State Expenditures	\$76,838	
Cash Funds	76,838	
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: \$76,838 - Department of Revenue (FY 2015-16)		

* This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year.

Summary of Legislation

This bill expands the types of documents that may be accepted by the Colorado Department of Revenue (DOR) from individuals not lawfully present in Colorado when the individual is applying to receive a driver's license, instruction permit, or identification card. Specifically, the bill adds an individual's social security number to the list of acceptable documents.

Currently, an applicant who is not lawfully present must document that he or she has been a resident in Colorado for the preceding 24 months. This bill clarifies that documentation should account for as much of the 24-month period as possible, but that documentation need not include direct evidence for every month or day of that time period.

The bill clarifies that an international student who is temporarily lawfully present in Colorado need not surrender a driver's license issued by a foreign government when obtaining an identification document from the DOR.

Background

Under current law, an individual that is not lawfully present or is temporarily lawfully present may receive a driver's license, instruction permit, or identification card by meeting the document requirements specified in the Colorado Road and Community Safety Act (Senate Bill 13-251).

State Revenue

Assuming that the DOR adjusts fees to cover the costs incurred in implementing this legislation, the bill will increase state cash fund revenue by \$76,838 in FY 2015-16. The fee increase amount will be determined during the DOR's fee setting process in the spring of 2015.

State Expenditures

For FY 2015-16, this bill increases one-time state cash fund expenditures in the DOR by \$76,838.

The DOR will be required to purchase computer programming services in FY 2015-16 to make modifications to the driver's license system. This effort will require 746 hours of programming services at a rate of \$103 per hour. Programming services will be provided by the Office of Information Technology.

Technical Note

Due to the complex programming required to implement this legislation, and the training requirements after programming is completed, the DOR will be unable to make the needed changes by the August 5, 2016 effective date of this bill.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 5, 2015, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2015, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

For FY 2015-16, the DOR requires a cash fund appropriation of \$76,838 from the Licensing Services Cash Fund. In addition, the Office of Information Technology requires spending authority for \$76,838 in reappropriated funds.

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