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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	<b>CONCERNING PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ADEQUATE TRAINING OF</b>
102	MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVERS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,
103	CREATING AN ENTERPRISE TO EDUCATE POTENTIAL DRIVERS
104	AND REIMBURSE THIRD-PARTY PROVIDERS AND COUNTIES FOR
105	A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING DRIVING
106	EXAMINATIONS, SETTING LIMITS ON THE FEES THIRD-PARTY
107	PROVIDERS MAY CHARGE, PROVIDING TRANSLATION SERVICES
108	FOR DRIVING EXAMINATIONS, IMPOSING A FEE ON
109	INSTRUCTION PERMITS AND DRIVER'S LICENSES, AND MAKING AN
110	APPROPRIATION.

#### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does

HOUSE Amended 2nd Reading April 21, 2023 not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

The bill prohibits the department of revenue (department) from collecting a fee when an individual retakes a driving examination when the department does not administer the driving examination.

The bill creates the affordable driver education program testing enterprise (ADEPT enterprise) for the purpose of:

- Increasing access to driver training and driving examination in underserved areas;
- Deploying a free online driver training program in English and Spanish; and
- Reimbursing private driving schools for conducting driving examinations required by state law.

The governing board of the ADEPT enterprise consists of the following members:

- One member who represents the executive director (executive director) of the department and who is the chair of the governing board;
- One member who has experience providing translation services or administering programs that assist individuals for whom English is not their native language;
- One member who has experience working with youth;
- One member who represents rural areas that are underserved by private driving examination providers; and
- One member who represents private driving examination providers.

The governing board may advise the department about rules and may issue bonds with the approval of the executive director. The governing board is directed to:

- Oversee the implementation of the bill;
- Annually report to the executive director and coordinate with the department;
- Establish policies; and
- Hire employees and obtain necessary office space, equipment, and services.

The bill requires the ADEPT enterprise to:

- Make reasonable efforts to increase access to driver training and driving examinations in areas that are underserved by third-party driving examination providers;
- Make available to the public, at no cost, an online driver training program that qualifies the student to be issued an instruction permit and that is offered in English and

Spanish;

- Create a system that allows a third-party provider to electronically request and receive information contained in the motorist insurance identification database to verify whether an individual seeking a driving examination has proof of financial responsibility; and
- Reimburse a third-party provider so that the cost to an individual taking an examination is \$25 for each initial driving examination and \$50 for a reexamination taken after a failed examination.

The bill directs the department to promulgate rules establishing procedures for the ADEPT enterprise to reimburse third-party providers and authorizes the department to limit the amount a third-party provider may charge for a driving examination.

Upon request and when reasonably possible, the department is required to provide translation services for driving examinations.

To implement the bill, a fee is established on applications for or issuance of an instruction permit or a driver's license.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-2-114.5, amend
3	(2) introductory portion; and <b>add</b> (8) as follows:
4	42-2-114.5. Fees for driver's licenses, identification cards, and
5	related services - crediting to DRIVES account - fee-setting
6	procedures - rules - repeal. (2) Except as provided in subsection (3)
7	SUBSECTIONS $(3)$ AND $(8)$ of this section, the following fees must be paid
8	for the following functions:
9	(8) The department shall not collect the examination fee
10	IMPOSED IN SUBSECTION $(2)(e)$ OF THIS SECTION UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT
11	ADMINISTERS THE DRIVING EXAMINATION THAT IS BEING RETAKEN.
12	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 7 to article
13	2 of title 42 as follows:
14	PART 7
15	AFFORDABLE DRIVER EDUCATION

1	PROGRAM TESTING
2	<b>42-2-701.</b> Short title. The short title of this part 7 is the
3	"Affordable Driver Education Program Testing Act" or the
4	"ADEPT ACT".
5	42-2-702. Legislative declaration. (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
6	FINDS THAT:
7	(a) The department is required to examine every applicant
8	FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR MINOR DRIVER'S LICENSE TO ENSURE THE
9	APPLICANT HAS THE KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITY REQUIRED TO OPERATE A
10	MOTOR VEHICLE SAFELY ON STATE ROADWAYS;
11	(b) Before April of 2020, the department provided driving
12	EXAMINATIONS AT NO COST TO AN APPLICANT;
13	(c) IN APRIL OF 2020, BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE
14	DEPARTMENT STOPPED PROVIDING FREE DRIVING EXAMINATIONS, AND
15	SINCE THAT TIME, COLORADANS HAVE DEPENDED SOLELY ON PRIVATE
16	BUSINESSES TO PROVIDE DRIVING EXAMINATIONS, RESULTING IN A
17	SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE AVERAGE COST OF TAKING A DRIVING
18	EXAMINATION;
19	(d) UNDER SECTION 42-2-111, THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE
20	THE HOLDER OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE TO SUBMIT TO ANOTHER DRIVING
21	EXAMINATION; THEREFORE, THE FEES ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION
22	42-2-708 ARE COLLECTED TO POTENTIALLY REDUCE COSTS FOR LICENSE
23	HOLDERS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO ANOTHER EXAMINATION;
24	(e) FOR MANY DRIVERS OR DRIVING APPLICANTS, PARTICULARLY
25	THOSE WHO ARE YOUNG OR ELDERLY, THE COST OF A DRIVING
26	EXAMINATION MAY BE A SIGNIFICANT BARRIER TO OBTAINING OR
27	RETAINING A DRIVER'S LICENSE;

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(f) COLLECTING A FEE FROM EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ISSUED A
 DRIVER'S LICENSE OR WHO RENEWS A DRIVER'S LICENSE IS AN EFFECTIVE
 WAY TO ENSURE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MUST COMPLETE A DRIVING
 EXAMINATION MAY DO SO WITHOUT THE COST OF THE EXAMINATION BEING
 A SIGNIFICANT BARRIER TO HOLDING A DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND

6 (g) ALL DRIVERS BENEFIT FROM DRIVERS BEING ADEQUATELY
7 EXAMINED TO DETERMINE IF THEY ARE SAFE DRIVERS BEFORE BEING
8 LICENSED, AND THIS PART 7 HELPS FINANCE THE PROVISION OF THESE
9 DRIVING EXAMINATIONS IN A LANGUAGE THAT THE DRIVER UNDERSTANDS.

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(2) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT:

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(a) THE STATE HAS AN INTEREST IN:

12 (I) ENSURING DRIVERS ARE APPROPRIATELY EXAMINED TO
13 DETERMINE THEIR ABILITY TO SAFELY OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES ON
14 STATE ROADWAYS; AND

(II) REDUCING FINANCIAL BARRIERS THAT AFFECT THE ABILITY OF
some applicants to obtain driver's licenses;

17 (b) IN AREAS OF THE STATE THAT DO NOT HAVE PUBLIC
18 TRANSPORTATION, BARRIERS TO OBTAINING A DRIVER'S LICENSE CAN
19 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF UNLICENSED DRIVERS ON THE ROADS, MAKING
20 COLORADO'S ROADS LESS SAFE FOR EVERYONE, AND CAN INCREASE THE
21 NUMBER OF UNINSURED DRIVERS ON THE ROADS;

(c) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE IS ESTABLISHED AS A STATE-OWNED,
DRIVING EXAMINATION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM TO REDUCE THE COST
BARRIERS TO OBTAINING DRIVER'S LICENSES, AND THIS REIMBURSEMENT
PROGRAM IS ANALOGOUS TO AN INSURANCE PROGRAM BECAUSE THE FEES
ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 42-2-708 ENSURE THAT THE COST OF AN
EXAMINATION WILL NOT BE A BARRIER FOR A LICENSE HOLDER TO

1 CONTINUE TO BE LICENSED;

2 (d) TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING LEVEL OF SERVICE TO
3 COLORADANS, PRIVATE BUSINESSES MAY CONTINUE TO CONDUCT
4 REQUIRED DRIVING EXAMINATIONS, AND THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE WILL
5 REIMBURSE ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COST OF PROVIDING THE DRIVING
6 EXAMINATIONS TO ENSURE EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITIES TO OBTAIN
7 DRIVER'S LICENSES;

8 (e) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE FOR
9 PURPOSES OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION,
10 AS LONG AS THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE RETAINS AUTHORITY TO ISSUE
11 REVENUE BONDS AND RECEIVES LESS THAN TEN PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL
12 ANNUAL REVENUES IN GRANTS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-102 (7),
13 FROM ALL COLORADO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMBINED;

(f) FOR AS LONG AS IT CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE UNDER THIS
section, the ADEPT ENTERPRISE IS NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 20 OF
ARTICLE X OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION; AND

17 (g) The fee imposed in section 42-2-708 is not a tax but is
18 instead a fee imposed:

(I) TO DEFRAY THE COST OF PRIVATELY ADMINISTERED DRIVING
EXAMINATIONS, WHICH IS A SPECIFIC SERVICE TO EACH INDIVIDUAL
SEEKING A DRIVER'S LICENSE UPON WHOM THE FEE IS IMPOSED; AND

(II) AT RATES REASONABLY CALCULATED BASED ON THE OVERALL
 cost of the services provided by the ADEPT enterprise.

24 42-2-703. Definitions. As used in this part 7, unless the
25 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

26 (1) "ADEPT ENTERPRISE" MEANS THE ENTERPRISE CREATED IN
27 SECTION 42-2-704 (1).

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(2) "County office" MEANS THE OFFICE OF A COUNTY CLERK AND
 RECORDER THAT ISSUES DRIVER'S LICENSES AND PERFORMS DRIVING
 EXAMINATIONS.
 (3) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.
 (4) "DRIVING EXAMINATION" MEANS AN EXAMINATION
 AUTHORIZED IN SECTION 42-2-111.

7 (5) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
8 THE DEPARTMENT.

9 (6) "FEE" MEANS THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE FEE ESTABLISHED IN
10 SECTION 42-2-708.

11 (7) "FUND" MEANS THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE FUND CREATED IN
12 SECTION 42-2-707.

13 (8) "GOVERNING BOARD" MEANS THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
14 ADEPT ENTERPRISE DESCRIBED IN SECTION 42-2-704 (2).

15 (9) "INFLATION OR DEFLATION" MEANS THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE
16 CHANGE IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR BUREAU OF
17 LABOR STATISTICS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR
18 DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD FOR ALL ITEMS AND ALL URBAN
19 CONSUMERS, OR ITS SUCCESSOR INDEX.

(10) "PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY" HAS THE SAME
MEANING AS "PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FUTURE", AS
DEFINED IN SECTION 42-7-103 (14).

(11) "THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER" MEANS A PERSON CERTIFIED UNDER
 section 42-2-111 (1)(b) TO EXAMINE APPLICANTS FOR TYPES OR GENERAL
 classes of DRIVER'S LICENSES.

42-2-704. ADEPT enterprise - creation - governing board powers and duties - issuance of bonds. (1) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE IS

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1 CREATED AS A GOVERNMENT-OWNED BUSINESS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. 2 (2) (a) THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE 3 CONSISTS OF FIVE MEMBERS APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS: 4 (I) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL APPOINT ONE MEMBER WHO 5 REPRESENTS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND WHO IS THE CHAIR OF THE 6 GOVERNING BOARD; 7 (II) THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL 8 APPOINT: 9 (A) ONE MEMBER WHO HAS EXPERIENCE PROVIDING TRANSLATION 10 SERVICES OR ADMINISTERING PROGRAMS THAT ASSIST INDIVIDUALS FOR 11 WHOM ENGLISH IS NOT THEIR NATIVE LANGUAGE; AND 12 (B) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THIRD-PARTY PROVIDERS; 13 WHO HAS EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH YOUTH; AND 14 (III) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE MEMBER WHO 15 REPRESENTS RURAL AREAS THAT ARE UNDERSERVED BY THIRD-PARTY 16 PROVIDERS. 17 (b) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER OF 18 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE 19 SHALL MAKE THE INITIAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD NO 20 LATER THAN OCTOBER 1, 2023. 21 (c) THE TERM OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD 22 IS FOUR YEARS: EXCEPT THAT: 23 (I) EACH MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD SERVES AT THE 24 PLEASURE OF THE OFFICIAL WHO APPOINTED THE MEMBER; AND 25 (II) (A) IN ORDER TO ENSURE STAGGERED TERMS OF OFFICE, FOR 26 EACH MEMBER INITIALLY APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 27 (2)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION, THE INITIAL TERM OF OFFICE IS TWO YEARS.

(B) THIS SUBSECTION (2)(c)(II) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 2028.

3 (3) EACH MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OTHER THAN A
4 STATE EMPLOYEE SERVES WITHOUT COMPENSATION BUT IS ENTITLED TO
5 RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FROM MONEY IN THE FUND FOR ACTUAL AND
6 NECESSARY EXPENSES THE MEMBER INCURS IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE
7 MEMBER'S DUTIES FOR THE GOVERNING BOARD.

8 (4) (a) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ORGANIZE THE
9 GOVERNING BOARD AND CALL THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GOVERNING
10 BOARD TO OCCUR BY NOVEMBER 1, 2023.

(b) THE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL MEET AT LEAST ANNUALLY.
THE CHAIR MAY CALL ADDITIONAL MEETINGS AS NECESSARY FOR THE
GOVERNING BOARD TO COMPLETE ITS DUTIES.

- 14 (5) THE GOVERNING BOARD MAY:
- 15 (a) TAKE ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER
  16 THIS PART 7;
- 17 (b) ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF OR
  18 AMENDMENT OF RULES UNDER SECTIONS 42-2-706 AND 42-2-708;

19 (c) ISSUE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS20 SECTION;

(d) DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF REIMBURSEMENT GIVEN TO THE
THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT
FOR A DRIVING EXAMINATION AND DO NOT SHOW OR CANCEL LATE OR WHO
FAIL TO PASS THE DRIVING EXAMINATION; AND
(e) CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC ENTITY TO DEVELOP
AND UPDATE THE ONLINE DRIVER TRAINING PROGRAM REQUIRED IN

27 SECTION 42-2-705 (1)(b).

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(6) THE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL:

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2 (a) OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THIS
3 PART 7;

4 (b) ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BY A DATE
5 DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CONCERNING THE
6 IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PART 7;

7 (c) ESTABLISH POLICIES TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THIS
8 PART 7;

9 (d) HIRE ANY NECESSARY EMPLOYEES, WHO MAY ALSO BE 10 EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THIS 11 PART 7;

(e) OBTAIN THE NECESSARY OFFICE SPACE, EQUIPMENT, AND
SERVICES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THIS PART 7; AND
(f) COORDINATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT AND

14 (1) COORDINATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT AND15 ADMINISTER THIS PART 7.

16 (7) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL REIMBURSE, AT FAIR MARKET
17 VALUE, THE DEPARTMENT FOR ANY EMPLOYEE TIME, OFFICE SPACE, OR
18 GOODS OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

19 (8) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE MAY ISSUE BONDS. THE BONDS MUST
20 BE:

(a) ISSUED BY A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD; AND
(b) SECURED BY AND PAYABLE SOLELY OUT OF THE MONEY IN THE
FUND.

24 **42-2-705.** ADEPT enterprise - reimbursement of third-party

25 **providers.** (1) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL:

26 (a) By July 1, 2025, IN AREAS THAT DO NOT HAVE A THIRD-PARTY
 27 PROVIDER WITHIN SIXTY MILES FROM A DEPARTMENT OR COUNTY OFFICE

1 THAT ISSUES DRIVER'S LICENSES, PROVIDE DRIVING EXAMINATIONS AT 2 LEAST ONCE EACH WEEK THAT DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY OF AN 3 APPLICANT FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE TO DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH 4 APPROPRIATE CARE AND CONTROL; AND 5 (b) MAKE AN ONLINE DRIVER TRAINING PROGRAM AVAILABLE AT 6 NO COST TO THE PUBLIC. THE DRIVER TRAINING PROGRAM MUST: 7 (I) BE AT LEAST THIRTY HOURS LONG; 8 (II) MEET THE STANDARDS NECESSARY TO QUALIFY A STUDENT TO 9 BE ISSUED AN INSTRUCTION PERMIT UNDER SECTION 42-2-106 (1)(b); (III) TEACH: 10 11 (A) THE LAW APPLICABLE TO DRIVING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON A 12 HIGHWAY; AND 13 (B) BASIC DECISION MAKING WHEN DRIVING ON A HIGHWAY; AND 14 (IV) BE AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH. 15 (2) (a) (I) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL REIMBURSE, FROM THE 16 FUND AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT 17 PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-2-706, A THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER OR COUNTY 18 OFFICE THAT ADMINISTERS A DRIVING EXAMINATION. A THIRD-PARTY 19 PROVIDER OR COUNTY OFFICE SEEKING REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE 20 ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT IN THE FORM AND 21 MANNER SPECIFIED IN RULES ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO 22 SECTION 42-2-706. 23 (II) A THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER SHALL NOT CHARGE AN INDIVIDUAL 24 TAKING A DRIVING EXAMINATION FOR AN AMOUNT REIMBURSED UNDER 25 THIS SUBSECTION (2). 26 THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL DETERMINE THE (b) 27 REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT FOR A THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER BASED ON THE

1 AMOUNT THE THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER CHARGES FOR THE DRIVING 2 EXAMINATION, WHICH CHARGE MUST NOT EXCEED ANY LIMIT ESTABLISHED 3 IN RULES ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-2-706, 4 LESS THE AMOUNT THE INDIVIDUAL TAKING THE DRIVING EXAMINATION 5 PAYS THE THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER FOR ADMINISTERING THE DRIVING 6 EXAMINATION. THE COST TO THE INDIVIDUAL TAKING THE DRIVING 7 EXAMINATION MUST NOT EXCEED, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION 8 (2)(c) OF THIS SECTION:

9 (I) TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS PER DRIVING EXAMINATION IF THE 10 INDIVIDUAL TAKING THE DRIVING EXAMINATION HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY 11 FAILED THE EXAMINATION; AND

12 (II) FIFTY DOLLARS PER DRIVING EXAMINATION IF THE INDIVIDUAL
13 HAS PREVIOUSLY FAILED THE SAME DRIVING EXAMINATION.

14 (c) TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION OR DEFLATION, THE GOVERNING
15 BOARD MAY ANNUALLY ADJUST THE AMOUNTS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS
16 (2)(b)(I) AND (2)(b)(II) OF THIS SECTION.

17 (d) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL SET THE REIMBURSEMENT
18 RATE FOR COUNTY OFFICES AT A STANDARD RATE THAT IS BASED ON THE
19 AVERAGE COST IN COLORADO OF COUNTY OFFICES PROVIDING DRIVING
20 EXAMINATIONS.

42-2-706. Department rules - reimbursement procedures driving examination price limits. (1) The DEPARTMENT SHALL
PROMULGATE RULES, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE GOVERNING BOARD,
ESTABLISHING THE PROCESS FOR THIRD-PARTY PROVIDERS OR COUNTY
OFFICES TO APPLY FOR AND OBTAIN REIMBURSEMENTS FOR DRIVING
EXAMINATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 42-2-705. THE RULES
MUST SPECIFY, AT A MINIMUM:

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(a) THE FORM AND MANNER OF APPLYING FOR REIMBURSEMENT,
 INCLUDING THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT THE CLAIM FOR
 REIMBURSEMENT;

4 (b) A TIMELINE FOR THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE TO ACCEPT
5 REIMBURSEMENT APPLICATIONS, DETERMINE A THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER'S
6 ELIGIBILITY FOR AND AMOUNT OF REIMBURSEMENT, AND PAY
7 REIMBURSEMENTS TO THIRD-PARTY PROVIDERS OR COUNTY OFFICES;

8 (c) THAT A REIMBURSEMENT MUST BE MADE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS
9 AFTER THE THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER OR COUNTY OFFICE REQUESTS
10 REIMBURSEMENT; AND

11 (d) ANY OTHER REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE
12 ADMINISTRATION OF REIMBURSEMENTS.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROMULGATE RULES SETTING A
MAXIMUM AMOUNT, INCLUDING THE AMOUNT ASSESSED AND RECEIVED
FROM THE INDIVIDUAL TAKING THE EXAMINATION, THAT A THIRD-PARTY
PROVIDER MAY CHARGE FOR A DRIVING EXAMINATION AND ADJUSTING THE
MAXIMUM AMOUNT TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION OR DEFLATION OR FOR
DIFFERENCES IN THE COST OF PROVIDING DRIVING EXAMINATIONS IN
DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE STATE.

42-2-707. ADEPT enterprise fund. (1) THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE
FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY
CREDITED TO THE FUND UNDER SECTION 42-2-708, REVENUE COLLECTED
FROM ANY REVENUE BONDS ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-2-704 (8),
AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE
OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND.

26 (2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND
27 INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE

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1 FUND TO THE FUND.

2 (3) MONEY IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE
3 ADEPT ENTERPRISE TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THIS PART 7.

4 **42-2-708. ADEPT enterprise fee - rules.** (1) IN ADDITION TO 5 ANY OTHER FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF OR RENEWAL OF A DRIVER'S 6 LICENSE, MINOR DRIVER'S LICENSE, OR INSTRUCTION PERMIT, THE 7 DEPARTMENT SHALL COLLECT AN ADEPT ENTERPRISE FEE OF SIX 8 DOLLARS FOR EACH ISSUANCE OF OR RENEWAL OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE, 9 MINOR DRIVER'S LICENSE, OR INSTRUCTION PERMIT. THE DEPARTMENT 10 SHALL TRANSMIT THE FEE TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT 11 THE FEE TO THE FUND.

12 (2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROMULGATE RULES ADJUSTING THE
13 AMOUNT OF THE FEE SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION TO
14 ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION OR DEFLATION.

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16 42-2-709. Translation services. ON REQUEST AND WHEN 17 REASONABLY POSSIBLE, THE ADEPT ENTERPRISE SHALL PROVIDE 18 TRANSLATION SERVICES FOR A DRIVING EXAMINATION FOR INDIVIDUALS 19 WHO DO NOT SPEAK, READ, OR WRITE ENGLISH AT A LEVEL NECESSARY TO 20 TAKE THE DRIVING EXAMINATION. THE TRANSLATION SERVICES MAY BE 21 PROVIDED ELECTRONICALLY OR, FOR DRIVING EXAMINATIONS THAT 22 DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY OF THE APPLICANT, BY HAND SIGNAL IF THE 23 HAND SIGNALS ARE EXPLAINED IN THE APPLICANT'S LANGUAGE.

SECTION 3. Appropriation. (1) For the 2023-24 state fiscal year, \$4,833,654 is appropriated to the department of revenue. This appropriation is from the ADEPT enterprise fund created in section 42-2-707 (1), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department may use this 1 appropriation as follows:

2	(a) \$143,042 for use by the executive director's office for personal
3	services related to administration and support, which amount is based on
4	an assumption that the department will require an additional 1.7 FTE;
5	(b) \$22,305 for use by the executive director's office for operating
6	expenses related to administration and support;
7	(c) \$71,011 for DRIVES maintenance and support; and
8	(d) \$4,597,296 for use by the division of motor vehicles for
9	driver's license exam reimbursements.
10	SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date -
11	applicability. (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
12	the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
13	general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant
14	to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an
15	item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,
16	section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the
17	general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take
18	effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the
19	governor.
20	(2) This act applies to driver's licenses and instruction permits
21	issued and to examinations performed on or after the applicable effective
22	date of this act.