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# **Fiscal Note**

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**Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Baisley **Bill Status:** Senate Transportation & Energy Fiscal Analyst:

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Bill Topic:	MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE & REGISTRATION ENFORCEMENT				
Summary of Fiscal Impact:	☐ State Revenue ☑ State Expenditure	☐ State Transfer ☐ TABOR Refund	□ Local Government     □ Statutory Public Entity		
	The bill creates the Insurance and Registration Reform Task Force to study motor vehicle insurance requirements and enforcement. It increases state and local expenditures in FY 2024-25 only.				
Appropriation Summary:	For FY 2024-25, the bill requires an appropriation of \$65,633 to the Department of Revenue.				
Fiscal Note Status:	The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.				

### Table 1 **State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 24-133**

		Budget Year FY 2024-25	Out Year FY 2025-26
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$65,633	-
	Centrally Appropriated	\$4,916	-
	Total Expenditures	\$70,549	-
	Total FTE	0.3 FTE	-
Transfers		-	-
Other Budget Impacts	General Fund Reserve	\$9,845	-

#### **Summary of Legislation**

The bill creates the Insurance and Registration Reform Task Force to study motor vehicle insurance requirements and enforcement. The task force is composed of five members representing the Department of Revenue (DOR), the Colorado State Patrol, district attorneys, the motor vehicle insurance industry, and the public. The task force will hold its first meeting by September 15, 2024, will meet at least once every month, and will issue a final report to relevant legislative committees by January 3, 2025.

#### **State Expenditures**

The bill increases General Fund expenditures in the DOR by \$71,000 in FY 2024-25 only. Expenditures are shown in Table 2 and detailed below.

Table 2
Expenditures Under SB 24-133

		FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
Department of Revenue			
Personal Services		\$15,633	-
Contract Facilitator		\$50,000	-
Centrally Appropriated Costs <sup>1</sup>		\$4,916	-
	Total	\$70,549	-
	Total FTE	0.3 FTE	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.

**Department of Revenue.** The DOR requires \$70,549 in FY 2024-25 to hire a contract facilitator and oversight staff. It is estimated that \$50,000 is required to contract with a consultant to coordinate task force meetings, communicate work products expected of task force members and their supporting colleagues, facilitate discussions during meetings, and design and draft the task force report. In addition, the DOR requires 0.3 FTE for administrative staff to procure the facilitation consultant, attend all meetings related to the task force, and review the work products of the consultants so they fulfill the legislative intent of the task force. This staff is required from September 2024 to February 2025.

There may also be an increase in workload for the DOR for a staff member to represent the DOR on the task force. It is assumed this work can be accomplished within existing resources.

**Department of Public Safety.** The Colorado State Patrol will have a minimal workload increase to participate on the task force. This work can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

**Centrally appropriated costs.** Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. These costs, which include employee insurance and supplemental employee retirement payments, are shown in Table 2.

## **Other Budget Impacts**

**General Fund reserve.** Under current law, an amount equal to 15 percent of General Fund appropriations must be set aside in the General Fund statutory reserve. Based on this fiscal note, the bill is expected to increase the amount of General Fund held in reserve by the amounts shown in Table 1, decreasing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

#### **Local Government**

The bill increases district attorney workload by a minimal amount to serve on the task force.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## **State Appropriations**

For FY 2024-25, the bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$65,633 to the Department of Revenue, and 0.3 FTE.

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Judicial	Legislative Council Staff	Public Safety
Regulatory Agencies	Revenue	Transportation

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the <u>General Assembly website</u>.