



## DRIVES Upgrade Update

Completion: February 2026

**DRIVES Upgrade Implementation:** The DRIVES system serves as the foundational technology for all driver license and motor vehicle transactions within our State. The version of this software in use by DMV was at the end of its service life, lacking many efficiencies and security enhancements present in modern technology. Implementation of this upgrade represents a generational improvement that will enhance the efficiency of services for both DMV customers and staff.

**Roll-out Timeframe:** The upgrade is currently on schedule and will roll-out **February 16-17, 2026**. Following this upgrade, we anticipate a **4 month adjustment period** to ensure full functionality and a seamless transition.

**Legislative Commitments:** DMV currently has a significant legislative development roadmap with bills passed in the 2024 and 2025 sessions which extends all the way to January 2028.

Bill Number & Title	Effective Date
SB25-321 Emissions Inspection Facilities	Upon Fee Adjustment (likely Fall 2026)
HB25-1312 Legal Protections for Transgender Individuals	October 1, 2026
HB24-1021 Minor Driver Education Requirements	January 1, 2027
HB25-1083 Vehicle Transactions Deployed Military Families	January 1, 2027
HB24-1089 Vehicle Electronic Notifications	January 1, 2027
HB24-1250 Driver Course DL Points	January 1, 2027
HB24-1360 CO Disability Opportunity Office	January 1, 2027
SB24-192 MV Lemon Law	January 1, 2027
HB25-1039 Commercial Vehicle Muffler Requirements	July 1, 2027
HB25-1189 Motor Vehicle Registration Reform & Fees	July 1, 2027
SB25-008 Adjust Necessary Document Program	July 1, 2027
HB25-1121 Permanent Trailer Registration	January 1, 2028
HB25-1281 Title Register & Drive Kei Vehicles	January 1, 2028

**Key Improvements:** The DRIVES upgrade will provide many key capabilities and new functionalities, including:

- Modernization to the most current programming language and supporting infrastructure.
- Security enhancements to the overall application.
- A modernized look and feel for state and county employees.
- A totally redesigned online customer experience through the myDMV logged-in portal.
- Tracking of Key Performance Indicators.

**Request for Flexibility:** Given the existing legislative workload, the DMV requires flexibility in the effective dates during the 2026 session. This will enable effective resource management for current obligations and future development. Your support in providing this legislative flexibility is crucial to our ongoing success.

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