

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 257

PRINTER'S NO. 203

PRIME SPONSOR: Neilson

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2024/25	FY 2025/26
Motor License Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: This legislation requires specific education for drivers on work zone safety which includes the addition of a question about how to drive safely in work zones on the written driving test. The legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends Title 75 (Vehicles) Section 1505 (Learner's permits) and Section 1508 (Examination of applicant for driver's license). Language articulates for:

- <u>Section 1505 (Learner's permits)</u> the inclusion of information related to the dangers of unsafe driving in work zones within the educational materials currently provided by the agency, which a minor must view prior to testing for their junior driver's license. Furthermore, a certification form must be submitted by the father, mother, guardian, person *in loco parentis* or spouse of a married minor stating that the minor has printed or viewed educational materials provided on PennDOT's website on the dangers of unsafe driving in a work zone, which may include, but are not limited to, written, electronic, or video materials
- <u>Section 1508 (Examination of applicant for driver's license</u>)- requires the inclusion of how to drive safely in a work zone question on the written driving test. Additionally, the driver's manual must include a section relating to driving safely in a work zone, along with penalties

FISCAL IMPACT: The enactment of this legislation would have a *de minimis* fiscal impact on Commonwealth Funds, specifically the Motor License Fund. There would be nominal costs for updates to PennDOT's DL-180C form, knowledge test practice app, website, and Call Center information modules, which would be absorbed by the agency within existing resources.

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