# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0950H.01I Bill No.: HB 645

Subject: Transportation; Crimes and Punishment; Licenses - Driver's; Motor Vehicles

Type: Original

Date: February 2, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to ignition interlock device

requirements for certain intoxication-related traffic offenses.

## **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	
General Revenue	(\$125,400)	(\$69,114)	(\$70,181)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$125,400)	(\$69,114)	(\$70,181)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on Other State					
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>				
Effect on All Federal				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
General Revenue	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
<b>Effect on FTE</b>	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE		

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expe	enditures or reduced revenue	es) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any
of the three fiscal years after	er implementation of the act	or at full implementation of the act.

☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of
the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED FY 2026 FY 2027 FY 20					
Local Government \$0 \$0					

#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **ASSUMPTION**

§§302.304, 302.440, 302.525 & 302.574 – Intoxication-Related Traffic Offenses

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume the following regarding this proposal:

Administrative Impact

#### Driver License Bureau

The Department currently requires the ignition interlock for any second or subsequent intoxicated-related enforcement contact (administrative and point accumulation actions) added to a driver's record. This includes Administrative Alcohol suspensions and revocations; chemical refusals; point suspensions, and revocations; and any limited or restricted driving privileges granted to these offenders.

This legislation is requiring the Department to add the ignition interlock device (IID) requirement to any person with a blood alcohol content .15% or more for a first time offense.

This proposed legislation would require programming to the current Missouri driver license system, internally referred to as FUSION, to evaluate both administrative actions and convictions processed by the department and add the ignition interlock requirement to those actions even if there is not a prior alcohol-related enforcement contact to the drivers' record if the blood alcohol content is .15% or more.

This language is changing requirements for all restricted driving privileges (RDP) to have the ignition interlock installed before these privileges are issued. Currently, a sixty-day restricted privilege is issued without the ignition interlock requirement for first time offenders and are automatically generated systematically without the driver having to request one from the department. This would require multiple additions to existing MODL evaluation routines that exist today. This would also require the Department to revise all correspondence that is generated to the driver and notices issued roadside by law enforcement.

In FY 2024, the department issued 2,553 sixty-day RDP's for first time offenders.

DOR records indicate that 13,125 records currently require the installation of an ignition interlock device for reinstatement monitoring or to comply with a court order.

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In FY 2024, DOR received 4,747 administrative alcohol cases that showed a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .15% or more as a first-time offense.

Passage of this bill will add IID requirements and monitoring to approximately **7,300** additional records.

Ignition interlock manufacturers are required by State Code of Regulations, 7 CSR 60-2, to submit all device status' (installs, de-installs, and failure to maintain) and certification of completion of the monitoring period. The Department anticipates an increase of telephone inquiries, correspondence, and additional communications required between their office and the ignition interlock manufacturers to ensure the integrity of the data and meet the current department auditing processes. The department already answers approximately 32,000 calls a year regarding reinstatement requirements. The Department anticipates a significant increase in calls due to this proposed language.

The impact to the Department is estimating a 50% increase in call volume; therefore, DOR is requesting **one FTE** to answer these additional telephone inquiries. If the increase is more significant than anticipated, additional FTE may be requested through the appropriations process.

### **Telephone Inquiries**

A telephone operator is expected to process 60 telephone inquiries daily.

32,000	Current call volume for reinstatement requirements
<u>x 50%</u>	Percent which will generate telephone inquiries
16,000	Telephone inquiries received per year
<u>/ 252</u>	Work days per year
63	Telephone inquiries received per day
<u>/ 60</u>	Telephone inquiries processed per day
1.05	1 FTE needed to answer telephone inquiries

Total of 1 Customer Service Representative (\$3,536 month)

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- Complete programming and user acceptance testing of FUSION for the new evaluation for ignition interlock requirement for first time offenders based on .15% BAC or higher;
- Evaluate conviction routines;
- Update interactive applications for automated responses to customers through telephone system (current vendor Genesys) or online (DORA);
- Update the Department website;
- Update forms, correspondence and procedures;
- Update the Missouri Driver Guide; and
- Provide training to team members

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FY 2026 – Driver License Bureau (testing of forms and website updates)

Research/Data Analyst 1,300 hrs. @ \$28.75 per hr. = \$37,375 Research/Data Assistant 1,300 hrs. @ \$19.29 per hr. = \$25,077 Administrative Manager 1,000 hrs. @ \$31.21 per hr. = \$31,210 Total = \$93,662

FY 2026 – Personnel Services Bureau (forms and website updates) Associate Research/Data Analyst 336 hrs. @ \$23.04 per hr. = \$7,741

**Total= \$101,403** 

**Oversight** assumes DOR will use existing staff and will only hire the **one additional FTE** to conduct these activities; therefore, Oversight will only reflect the cost for the additional FTE as DOR has indicated on the fiscal note.

## **FUSION Impact**

Implementation Consultant 300 hrs. @ \$225 per hr. = \$67,500

**Oversight** does not have information to the contrary and therefore, Oversight will reflect the implementation consultant costs as provided by DOR.

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Transportation** and **Missouri Highway Patrol** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
	(10 Mo.)		
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Costs</u> - DOR			
Personnel Service	(\$29,467)	(\$36,067)	(\$36,789)
Fringe Benefits	(\$24,970)	(\$30,248)	(\$30,537)
Expense & Equipment	(\$3,463)	(\$2,799)	(\$2,855)
<u>Total Costs</u> - DOR	(\$57,900)	(\$69,114)	(\$70,181)
FTE Change	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE
Cost – DOR – Fusion implementation			
consultant	(\$67,500)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
GENERAL REVENUE	(\$125,400)	(\$69,114)	<u>(\$70,181)</u>
Estimated Net FTE Change to the			
General Revenue Fund	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

## FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Small ignition interlock manufacturers and installers could be impacted as a result of this proposal due to the potential increase in ignition interlocks required.

### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, a person who has had his or her driver's license suspended or revoked because of an assessment of points for an intoxication-related traffic offense conviction and who has a prior alcohol-related enforcement contact must show proof to the Director of Revenue that any motor vehicle driven by the person has a certified ignition interlock device installed, and the ignition interlock device must be installed for at least six months.

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Under this bill, the requirement applies only to a person who has an intoxication-related traffic offense conviction in which the person's blood alcohol content was at least .08 but less than .15 and who has a prior alcohol-related enforcement contact or to a person who has an assessment of points for an intoxication-related traffic offense conviction in which the person's blood alcohol content was found to be .15 or more.

The bill also prohibits restricted driving privileges to be issued to any person whose driving record shows an intoxication-related traffic offense in which the person's blood alcohol content was found to be .15 or more, until the person files proof with the Department of Revenue that any motor vehicle operated by the person is equipped with a functioning, certified ignition interlock device.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Revenue Missouri Department of Transportation Missouri Highway Patrol

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