

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1660 - SB 1643

January 23, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Enacts the Interstate Driver License Compact. Requires the Department of Safety (DOS) to report each of the following convictions of a person from another party state occurring within Tennessee to the licensing authority of the home state of the licensee:

- Manslaughter or negligent homicide resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle;
- Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or a narcotic drug, or under the influence of any other drug to a degree which renders the driver incapable of safely driving a motor vehicle;
- Any felony in the commission of which a motor vehicle is used; or
- Failure to stop and render aid in the event of a motor vehicle accident resulting in the death or personal injury of another.

Requires, upon application for a license to drive, the licensing authority in a party state to ascertain whether the applicant has ever held, or is the holder of, a license to drive issued by any other party state. Prohibits issuing a license to drive to the applicant if:

- The applicant has held a license, but the same has been suspended by reason of a violation and if the suspension period has not terminated;
- The applicant has held a license, but the same has been revoked by reason of a violation and if such revocation has not terminated, except that after the expiration of one year from the date the license was revoked, such person may make application for a new license if permitted by law. DOS may refuse to issue a license to any such applicant if, after investigation, it is determined that it will not be safe to grant to such person the privilege of driving; or
- The applicant is the holder of a license to drive issued by another party state and currently in force unless the applicant surrenders such license.

Outlines a process of withdrawal from the Compact. Specifies that if any provision of this Compact is declared to be contrary to the state or federal constitution, that provision is severed and the validity of the remainder of the Compact is not affected. Designates the Commissioner of Safety as the administrator of the Compact.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Council of State Governments, 42 states and the District of Columbia are members of the Interstate Driver License Compact.
- Based on information provided by DOS, many parts of this legislation are currently being performed within the Driver Services Division of the Department.
- Any increase in the workload of DOS can be accomplished with existing resources and personnel.
- This legislation will not significantly affect the number of driver licenses issued annually.
- There will not be a significant fiscal impact to state expenditures as a result of this Compact.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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