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TO: Honorable Joe Driver, Chair, House Committee on Law Enforcement

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2452 by Kolkhorst (Relating to testing and examination fee requirements for persons completing certain driver education courses.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2452, As Introduced: a positive impact of \$1,086,860 through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2004	\$501,190
2005	\$585,670
2006	\$585,670
2007	\$585,670
2008	\$585,670

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1	Probable Revenue Gain from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2004	(\$84,480)	\$585,670
2005	\$0	\$585,670
2006	\$0	\$585,670
2007	\$0	\$585,670
2008	\$0	\$585,670

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Transportation Code as it relates to testing and examination fee requirements for persons completing certain driver education courses by adding a provision preventing the Department of Public Safety (DPS) director from waiving a driving test for applicants who complete the Parent-Taught Driver Education Course approved by DPS. Additionally, it requires applicants who complete a Parent-Taught Driver Education Course approved by DPS to pay a \$10 examination fee for the driving exam when applying for an original issuance of a provisional license.

Methodology

Using a three-year average of Parent-Taught Education Program participants (58,567) multiplied by the \$10.00 fee, it is estimated an additional \$585,670 would be generated for the General Revenue

Fund per year. There are no associated costs for administering the driving test as the increase in driving tests would be dispersed throughout the state and would be handled by existing personnel. However, the Department of Public Safety indicates programming changes would be required for the collection of the fee and would impact the Information Management Service (IMS). IMS would need to modify the batch and Distributive Driver License System to accommodate the collection of the new fees required by this bill at an estimated cost of \$84,480. This cost is based on an estimate of 704 programming hours at \$120 per hour.

Technology

Estimated programming costs for the Distributive Driver License System total \$84,480.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety

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