BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, state law requires driving safety course providers to charge each student, in addition to the \$25 minimum fee for a driving safety course, a minimum \$3 fee for course materials and for supervising and administering the course. This required additional fee is unnecessary because providers already have the ability to set rates for driving safety courses under current law. For many providers, the switch to virtual programs makes a fee for services like printing course documents unnecessary. H.B. 3012 seeks to address these issues and give driving safety course providers more flexibility in deciding whether an additional charge for course materials and administrative services is warranted by removing the requirement for a driving safety course provider to charge each student a minimum \$3 fee for course materials and for supervising and administering the course.

H.B. 3012 amends the Education Code to remove the requirement for a driving safety course provider to charge each student a minimum \$3 fee for course materials and for supervising and administering the course.

H.B. 3012 amends current law relating to the fee for a driving safety course.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1001.352, Education Code, as follows:

Sec. 1001.352. New heading: FEE FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE. Requires a driving safety provider to charge each student at least \$25 for a driving safety course, rather than to charge each student at least \$25 for a driving safety course and a fee of at least \$3 for course materials and for supervising and administering the course. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2025.