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Bill Title: Relating to traffic offenses; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Counties, Judicial Department, Cities, Department of Transportation

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Transportation	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000	-	-
2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Transportation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

The measure directs the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to develop a driver improvement course available to drivers under 18 with no prior traffic convictions as an alternative to a citation. The measure requires ODOT to develop a document that explains completion of the course will enable the person to avoid a conviction, taking the course is only available to those who have not yet taken it, and explains where the person can find information regarding the course. The measure permits ODOT to adopt rules as necessary for implementation of the program and to set standards for the curriculum and completion requirements. The measure stipulates that ODOT shall maintain a list of course providers and update the list monthly.

The measure applies to all citations for traffic violations that occur on or after January 1, 2026. The measure is intended to have no impact to diversion programs offered by local or circuit courts.

Fiscal Analysis

The total estimated fiscal impact is \$250,000 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium.

Department of Transportation

ODOT anticipates contracting with outside consultants to develop curriculum materials and procedures for the driver improvement course. Cost estimates are based on a similar program, a driver improvement course for distracted driving. ODOT assumes the course and provider approvals will be managed and coordinated by the Department of Motor Vehicle's Transportation Safety Office, and internal resources required to implement the measure can be absorbed within existing resources.

ODOT anticipates the work required by the measure is not an eligible use of State Highway Funds; therefore, this fiscal impact assumes that General Fund resources would be required to fund the development of the course.

Other Entities

There is a minimal fiscal impact on the Oregon Judicial Department local governments.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

The measure becomes operative on January 1, 2026.