

## Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB126

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Cosgrove

**3. Committee:** Education and Health

**4. Title:** Driver education programs; parent/student driver education component.

**5. Summary:** Permits school divisions outside of Planning District 8 to provide a minimum 90-minute parent/student driver education component as part of the driver education curriculum, at the discretion of each local school board. The bill allows for school divisions to administer such component in-person or online. For students in Planning District 8 and those students in school divisions that offer the parent/student component, the participation of the student's parent or guardian is required.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill will allow the parent/student component of driver education to be taught as part of the in-classroom curriculum or virtually through a computer-based program. The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will need to make changes to its system to allow the agency to capture where the behind-the-wheel, in-classroom, and parent/student components are completed. DMV estimates a state cost of approximately \$33,073 to make these changes, which can be absorbed by existing resources. It is anticipated that the Board of Education and the Department of Education can absorb any costs resulting from the provisions of this bill.

Local school divisions may incur additional costs to implement and administer a minimum 90-minute parent/student driver education component as part of the driver education curriculum. Any fiscal impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

Additionally, there may be a cost to parents or guardians to attend the parent/student driver education course, whether in-classroom or online. Any such cost to parents or guardians is indeterminate.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Board of Education, Department of Education, Department of Motor Vehicles, local school divisions

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None