

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: SB633

Amendment Number: H1 (3/27/15 Engrossment)

Bill Subtitle: TO PROVIDE THAT THE FIVE-DOLLAR FEE FOR TAKING THE DRIVERS LICENSE EXAMINATION APPLIES TO ALL DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION TESTS TAKEN.

Basic Change : Sponsor: Sen. Sample

This bill with House amendment 1 provides that each applicant for a Class D non-commercial vehicle, Class M motorcycle, and Class MD motor driven cycle driver's license shall pay an examination fee of \$5.00 for each written examination taken. Current law only allows a \$5.00 fee be charged for each of the first three written tests taken. There is no charge to applicants who take the written test for a fourth and subsequent time. There currently is no charge for a skills test. This bill with the amendment will require a \$5.00 charge for every written test taken.

Revenue Impact :

Arkansas State Police estimates approximately 43,000 written tests were given at no charge during 2014. Therefore, there would be an additional revenue increase from written tests of approximately \$215,000. These funds are payable to the Arkansas State Police Fund to be used for the operation, maintenance and improvement of the Department of the Arkansas State Police.

Taxpayer Impact :

Taxpayers would pay an additional \$5.00 for every 4th and subsequent written exam.

Resources Required :

Additional programming and training of Revenue Office employees will be required.

Time Required :

No additional time is required if this bill passes.

Procedural Changes :

None

Legal Analysis :

Amendment H1 to SB633 amends § 27-16-801(a)(1)(C) to require collection of a \$5.00 fee for taking the driver's license written examination. Under existing law, the \$5.00 fee is collected only on the first and second written examination.