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AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S  
RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING A DRIVER TRAINING  
PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, LEGISLATIVE  
OVERSIGHT OF MEDICAID STATE PLAN AMENDMENTS AND  
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING TIMELY WHEELCHAIR REPAIR  
STANDARDS.

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

#### ***State Impact:***

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Aging and Disability Services, Dept.	GF - Transfer from	(265,500)	(265,500)
Department of Motor Vehicles	TF - Transfer to	265,500	265,500
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits	GF - Transfer from	(149,500)	(159,400)
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits	TF - Transfer to	149,500	159,400
Consumer Protection, Dept.	GF - Cost	106,733	149,099
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits <sup>1</sup>	GF - Cost	38,566	57,849

Note: GF=General Fund; TF=Transportation Fund

***Municipal Impact:*** None

#### ***Explanation***

**Section 1** transfers the Driver Training Program from the Department of Aging and Disability Services (ADS) within the General Fund (GF) to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) within the Special Transportation Fund (STF). This provision results in an even transfer of \$415,000 in FY 26 and \$424,900 in FY 27 from the GF to the STF and

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<sup>1</sup>The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 40.71% of payroll in FY 26.

includes three filled positions and associated salaries and fringe benefit costs as well as other program expenses.

**Section 2** requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) to submit all state plan amendments (SPAs) for approval by the Appropriations and Human Services committees at least 30 days before submitting them for federal approval. To the extent this delays or prevents a change that otherwise would have occurred, the state could experience a fiscal impact that cannot be determined at this time.

**Section 3**, which requires DSS to submit SPAs to the Council on Medical Assistance Program Oversight (MAPOC) for review, has no fiscal impact.

**Section 4** makes systemic noncompliance with timely wheelchair repair requirements an unfair trade practice violation resulting in a cost to the state. To enforce the unfair trade practice violation the Department of Consumer Protection will have to hire one special investigator and one consumer information representative for salary and other expenses cost of \$106,733 in FY 26<sup>2</sup> and \$149,099 in FY 27, along with associated fringe benefit costs of \$38,566 in FY 26 and \$57,849 in FY 27. The two additional employees are needed to manage the complaints, gather information, and perform investigations.

### ***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to employee wage increases and inflation.

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<sup>2</sup>The costs in FY 26 reflect eight months of expenditures due to the bill's November 1, 2025, effective date.