

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

Agency 240

Department of Licensing

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

	FY 15 FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2013-15 Expenditure Authority	1,358.2	2,451	299,995	302,446
Supplemental Changes				
License Plate Inventory			545	545
Technical Corrections			80	80
Increased Costs for County Auditors			474	474
Credit Card Cost Increase			57	57
Third-Party Testing			285	285
Driver's License Production			355	355
Ignition Interlock Assistance			1,960	1,960
Legal Services			334	334
Postage Rate Adjustments			348	348
Central Services Efficiency Savings		(1)		(1)
Subtotal - Supplemental Changes		(1)	4,438	4,437
Total Proposed Budget	1,358.2	2,450	304,433	306,883
Difference		(1)	4,438	4,437
Percent Change	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	1.5%

SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES

License Plate Inventory

The state's vehicle population and economy continue to grow, requiring additional license plates for vehicles. Additional license plates will be supplied to county auditors and vehicle licensing subagents, the entities that perform vehicle licensing. (Motor Vehicle Account-State)

Technical Corrections

During the 2014 legislative session, two bills passed near or after the transportation appropriations bill was passed. As a result, funding for these bills was not included in the transportation budget. Information technology costs are provided in the 2015 supplemental budget for implementation of Chapter 30, Laws of 2014 (snowmobile license plates) and Chapter 100, Laws of 2014 (prior offenses). (Motor Vehicle Account-State, Highway Safety Account-State)

Increased Costs for County Auditors

The Department of Licensing (DOL) reimburses county auditors for allowable expenditures that exceed the total revenue retained by the county auditor for providing licensing services. These reimbursable costs have increased and additional expenditure authority is provided to cover this increase. (DOL Services Account-State)

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Credit Card Cost Increase

The Metropolitan King County Council approved a temporary \$20 congestion reduction charge on most vehicles registered in King County. This increased renewal amount resulted in DOL paying more in fees for payments charged on credit cards. Funding is provided to accommodate the increased utilization rate. (Motor Vehicle Account-Private/Local)

Third-Party Testing

DOL collects fees for Commercial Driver License (CDL) applicants. An increase in applicant testing has resulted in higher reimbursement costs for independent third-party testers. (Highway Safety Account-State)

Driver's License Production

Due to an increase in our state population and the forecast for individuals needing drivers licenses, DOL will increase driver's license production. (Highway Safety Account-State)

Ignition Interlock Assistance

DOL provides financial assistance to low-income drivers who have an ignition interlock device installed through the Ignition Interlock Revolving Account. DOL has been using reserve funds to backfill this underfunded account. The Legislature directed DOL to take this action and has expressed its intent to replace these funds for the agency. (Highway Safety Account-State)

Legal Services

Legal proceedings for the Yakama Nation lawsuit and the Automotive United Trades Organization lawsuit will require increased legal services funding. (Motor Vehicle Account-State)

Postage Rate Adjustments

In January 2014, the U.S. Postal Service adopted a postage rate increase. First class letter rates were increased 6.5 percent and postage for mailing replacement license plates was increased 9.6 percent. (Business and Professions Account-State, Highway Safety Account-State, Motor Vehicle Account-State, DOL Services Account-State)

Central Services Efficiency Savings

The Legislature directed the Office of Financial Management to reduce agency allotments in the 2013-15 biennium to reflect efficiency savings. Fiscal year 2015 appropriations are reduced in affected agency budgets to reflect these reductions.