House Committee Resources: Driver's License Issuance and Renewal

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Committee Resources

The committee has requested written submissions on the following topics. Below are resources related to those topics.

House Select Committee on Driver's License Issuance & Renewal

Charge 1: Examining opportunities to expedite the driver's license renewal processes, with a focus on long wait times, physician waivers for eye exams, redundant fingerprinting, and opportunities to complete the renewal online; Reviewing the feasibility of permanently transferring the licensing program from the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) over to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

- Management, Operating Structure, Efficiencies, and Opportunities and Challenges of Transferring the Driver License Program, Executive Summary, DPS IAC 2020: Final Report and Technical Memorandums, The University of Texas at Austin, Center for Transportation Research, August 27, 2020
- Fiscal Size-Up: 2020-21 Biennium (Department of Public Safety, Driver License Services Figure 264: Department of Public Safety Driver License Improvement Program Funding and Average Wait Times, Fiscal Years 2012 to 2021), Legislative Budget Board, Way 2020
- "Texas Driver's Licenses: A Customer Service Challenge," Fiscal Notes, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, October 2019
- Staff Report with Final Results: Department of Public Safety, Sunset Advisory Commission, June 2019

Charge 2: Monitoring the use of additional funds that were devoted to the Department of Public Safety in the 86th Legislature for the purposes of improving the driver's license renewal process, along with the construction of new driver's license service centers.

• Fiscal Size-Up: 2020-21 Biennium (Department of Public Safety, Driver License Services), Legislative Budget Board, May 2020

Charge 3: Monitoring the implementation of House Bill 1078 -- which waives driver's license and handgun license fees for individuals with certificates in cardiopulmonary

resuscitation -- and determining whether the legislation is being implemented as intended.

Charge 4: Monitoring the implementation of Senate Bill 616 -- the DPS sunset bill -- which provides for the conditional transfer of licensing programs from DPS to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and reviewing the new workgroup's adoption of an implementation plan for the orderly transfer of programs.

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