

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.: SB 643
Version: CS
Request Number: 7436
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Impact: Creates an IDAP at DPS, fees created to support such a program, establishes misdemeanor and penalty schedule
DPS: upfront costs between \$75,000-\$100,000
eventual savings to agency

Research Analysis

Please see previous summary of this measure.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS on SB 643:

- Adds “test result or test refusal” to the statute and includes it on the list of crimes for which reinstatement fees apply.
- Stipulates DPS create an Impaired Driver Accountability Program (IDAP)
 - Fees collected from this program shall be deposited into the Public Safety Restricted Revolving (245) Fund.
 - A \$200 fee is established per participant.
 - The measure establishes a fee for a restricted driver’s license at \$50 in addition to the IDAP program fee of \$200 which will be deposited into the Public Safety Restricted Revolving (245) Fund.
- Creates the following schedule of penalties relating to the ignition interlock device:

Crime	Penalty
Knowingly allowing a person required to use an interlock device to drive a vehicle without one	A misdemeanor with a fine up to \$500 and/or up to 6 months in county jail
Willfully attempting to interfere with the proper functioning of the interlock device	A misdemeanor with a fine up to \$500 and/or up to 6 months in county jail
A person who is required to drive a vehicle with an interlock device who does not (with the exception of an employer’s vehicle)	A misdemeanor with a fine up to \$500 and/or up to 6 months in county jail

- The bill clarifies it is a misdemeanor with a fine of not more than \$1000 and/or up to 10 days in county jail for the crime of DUI and other associated DUIs.
- According to DPS: “The anticipated cost of programing for IDAP will be between \$75,000 and \$100,000. The offset to the cost of the programming will come from savings generated from the reduction in postage, reduced copying costs and reduced materials costs currently accrued by the Department. Further savings are anticipated in personnel as

the Department anticipates fewer employees having to be dedicated to IDAP due to automation of the program”

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Other Considerations

None.

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