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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Primary Sponsors: Reps. Click and Brewer

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- The Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) may need to modify its processes related to the issuance of state identification (ID) cards for individuals in the custody of Community-Based Correctional Facilities and Programs (CBCFs) and District Community-Based Correctional Facilities and Programs (DCBCFs). Any related costs are expected to be minimal.
- CBCFs and DCBCFs may experience a minimal cost or workload increase to establish and implement or modify existing policies to assist inmates in obtaining a state ID card prior to their release.

Detailed Analysis

The bill expands a program enacted by H.B. 315 of the 135th General Assembly, in which the departments of Rehabilitation and Correction and Youth Services are required to assist individuals in their custody in obtaining a state identification (ID) card prior to their release from confinement at no cost.¹ Specifically, the bill requires Community-Based Correctional Facilities and Programs (CBCFs) and District Community-Based Correctional Facilities and Programs (DCBCFs) to provide each individual in their custody who does not have a current valid and unexpired state ID card or driver's license with an application for a state ID card. The bill further requires the CBCF or DCBCF to submit the completed application, along with a color photograph

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¹ For more information regarding that program and its fiscal effect, see page 55 of the LSC <u>Final Analysis H.B. 315 (PDF)</u> and page 22 of the LSC <u>Final Fiscal Note H.B. 315 (PDF)</u>, both of which can be found on the General Assembly's website at: <u>legislature.ohio.gov</u>.

of the individual and documentary evidence of the individual's age and identity to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

CBCFs and DCBCFs are secure residential programs that provide comprehensive programming for adult individuals on felony supervision for low-level and nonviolent offenses who are referred by courts of common pleas or sanctioned by the Parole Board as a result of violating post-release control or parole. According to the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, there are a total of 19 CBCF and DCBCF locations serving all 88 counties. In FY 2025, those facilities served a total of 6,928 individuals. The number of those individuals who did not have a current valid state ID card or driver's license is indeterminate but is likely a subset of all individuals served.

Based on LBO conversations with community corrections representatives, at least some CBCFs and DCBCFs already assist individuals in obtaining a state ID card prior to their release, including assistance in obtaining the individual's birth certificate, if necessary. As a result of the bill, those facilities may need to expend additional time and effort to modify existing policies. To the extent that a CBCF or DCBCF does not currently provide assistance in obtaining a state ID card, that facility would need to establish and implement policies and procedures to do so in compliance with the bill. Any related increase in costs or workload experienced by CBCFs and DCBCFs as a result of the bill is expected to be minimal.

Bureau of Motor Vehicles

As a result of expanding the existing state ID cards program to incorporate individuals in the custody of CBCFs and DCBCFs, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) may need to modify its existing processes related to the issuance of state ID cards for those individuals. Any related increase in costs or workload for the BMV is expected to be minimal.

The BMV currently produces state ID cards at a cost of \$1.47 plus postage per card. State ID cards are already provided at no cost to Ohio residents age 17 and older, so LBO presumes a relatively cost neutral impact for the BMV related to the issuance of state ID cards for this population.

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