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- 6. One-time operating costs would increase in FY 2006: \$2,976 for new employee package of desk, chair, file cabinet, and computer; and an additional \$15,872 for computer programming design, testing, implementation and computer usage; for total one-time costs of \$18,848.
- 7. Operating costs would increase \$1,807 in FY 2006 and \$2,409 in FY 2007 for phones, supplies and computer communications.

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- 8. Persons who have had their motor vehicle license plates impounded for failure to submit to a blood alcohol test, or have been convicted of or forfeiture of bail not vacated for a second or subsequent offense under 61-8-401 or 61-8-406, MCA, may apply to the department for special 1-year license plates.
- 9. The license plates purchased by these individuals must be different number sequences than that of the regular issue or specialty issue license plates.
- 10. Per 61-3-332, MCA, new license plates will be reissued January 1, 2006. It is estimated that the cost to produce license plates for the reissue will be \$3.70 per set.
- 11. It is the assumption of the department that the normal reissue and specialty plate production numbers will not be affected due to the passing of this bill, but that additional plates would be produced in the other numerical series.
- 12. Without knowing the breakdown of DUI second and subsequent offense convictions per county, the department has assumed that the largest seven counties would have the greatest number, and with a need for a small inventory stocking, would need 200 sets of these plates on hand, and the rest of the other 49 counties would need to stock 50 sets, giving the total number of sets to be produced per year to be 3,850. This would amount to production costs of \$14,245 per year (3,850 x \$3.70 /set), or \$28,490 over the biennium. If the counties ordered the license plates as needed, and the number of convictions stayed static at 1,100 per year, the estimated cost of production could decrease to \$4,070 per year (1,100 x \$3.70), or \$8,140 over the biennium.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Difference</u>
FTE	0.75	1.00
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Personal Services	18,068	24,091
Operating Expenses	<u>20,655</u>	<u>2,409</u>
TOTAL	\$38,723	\$26,500
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>		
General Fund (01)	\$38,723	\$26,500
<u>Revenues:</u>		
General Fund (01)	\$39,375	\$52,500

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<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Operating Expenses	\$14,245	\$14,245
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>		
General Fund (01)	\$14,245	\$14,245
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>		
General Fund (01)	(\$13,593)	\$11,755

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

Local agencies revenues for alcohol related law enforcement programs might see an increase of \$39,375 in FY 2006 and \$52,500 in FY 2007. It is possible that costs may exceed revenues for local entities, but there is not data available to quantify this. It is assumed for this fiscal note that those costs would be very minimal.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. Currently, there is no systematic process to determine what vehicles are owned or co-owned by a driver since the driver's license number is not tied to a vehicle registration. It is anticipated that this limitation of the system would eventually be reduced by the new system as vehicles are sold and re-titled.
2. It is unknown whether applications would be submitted for the special license plates for those vehicles whose registrations would be required to be impounded and/or surrendered. It does not appear that this bill would affect subsequent motor vehicle purchase transactions.