Bill: HB1315 Amendment Number: H1

Bill Subtitle: TO AUTHORIZE A BLOOD TYPE DESIGNATION TO BE PLACED ON A DRIVER'S

LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD.

Sponsors:

Reps. Torres, Barnes, Barnett, A. Brown, N. Burkes, Childress, Eaton, Gonzales, Worthen, Hall, Henley, McGruder, Nazarenko, and Steele

Sen. Dees

Basic Change:

House Amendment No. 1 --- HB1315-H1 clarifies that an applicant is responsible for verification of the accuracy of the blood type designation on their driver's license or identification card. HB1315-H1 also provides an effective date of January 1, 2026.

Original Bill --- HB1315 allows an applicant to apply to have a blood type designation placed on his or her driver's license or state-issued identification card. A parent or guardian may apply for the designation on behalf of an applicant. To have the blood type placed on the driver's license or identification card, an applicant must:

- Submit a signed form created by the Office of Driver Services (ODS) stating his or her blood type;
 and
- Pay the fee authorized for the driver's license or identification card.

The applicant is responsible for the accuracy of the information provided to ODS. The choice to have a blood type designated on a person's driver's license or identification card is optional.

An applicant whose driver's license has not expired may have the blood type designation placed on the driver's license or identification card by obtaining a duplicate or substitute driver's license as provided by current law.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Taxpayer Impact:

A taxpayer shall have the option to place a blood type designation on his or driver's license or state-issued identification card.

Resources Required:

The Arkansas Integrated Revenue System (AIRS-DSMV) will require programming an at an estimated cost of \$52,000.

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Time Required:

Adequate time is provided for implementation.

Procedural Changes:

Updates will be required to the Office of Motor Vehicle (OMV) manual and the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) mobile app and website. Training and review sessions will be conducted for State Revenue Office, Office of Driver Services, and Office of Motor Vehicle employees and staff. Notification will also be provided to the taxpayer community.

Other Comments:

None.

Legal Analysis:

None.

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