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# Final Fiscal Note

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<b>Prime Sponsors:</b>	Rep. Ortiz Sen. Danielson	<b>Bill Status:</b>	Signed into Law
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**Bill Topic:**                   **ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT IN RENTAL MOTOR VEHICLES**

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**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

This bill requires motor vehicle rental companies to provide adaptive equipment, specifies how communication concerning a reservation must take place and the timeframe under which the reservation must be fulfilled, and creates a private right of action for violations. Beginning in FY 2025-26, the bill may minimally increase state revenue and workload on an ongoing basis.

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**Appropriation Summary:**                   No appropriation is required.

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**Fiscal Note Status:**                   The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

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## Summary of Legislation

The bill requires motor vehicle rental companies to provide adaptive equipment under the Colorado Consumer Protection Act. Specifically, the bill requires rental car companies (lessors), to provide an option for a person or organization obtaining a rental motor vehicle through a rental agreement (lessee) to request the installation of adaptive equipment, including hand controls, left foot accelerators, spinner knobs, and pedal extenders.

A lessee may make a reservation for a vehicle with adaptive equipment on the lessor's website, or in person. The reservation information must clearly include a list of the requested adaptive equipment, an acknowledgment that it will be provided, and the date and time that it will be installed and ready for use in the vehicle.

A lessor is required to fulfill a reservation for a motor vehicle with adaptive equipment within a set period of time depending on where a lessee will pick up the vehicle.

In the case of a violation of the requirements under the bill on or after July 1, 2025, by a lessor that is not a small business, or on or after July 1, 2026, by a lessor that is a small business, the lessee may bring a civil action. Remedies include: a court order requiring compliance with the requirements of the bill; the recovery of actual monetary damages; a fine of \$2,500 for each violation; and an award of attorney fees and costs in the event that the case is successful.

## State Revenue and Expenditures

This bill may minimally increase revenue and workload for trial courts in the Judicial Department beginning July 1, 2025, from an increase in civil filings. The fiscal note assumes that lessors will comply with the law. Civil filing fee revenue is subject to TABOR and any increase in workload for the trial courts can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

## Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 2, 2022, and it took effect on August 9, 2022.

## State and Local Government Contacts

Information Technology  
Law

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Regulatory Agencies