

186.456 Pilot project to provide operator's license skills testing in counties where testing is not offered -- Administration by Department of Kentucky State Police -- Report.

- (1) As used in this section, "state police" means the Department of Kentucky State Police.
- (2) From September 1, 2024, until December 31, 2028, the state police shall operate a pilot program to provide operator's license skills testing in up to ten (10) counties in which the state police does not provide permanent, full-time, driver licensing testing.
- (3) In administering the pilot project under this section, the state police shall:
 - (a) Identify the counties participating in the pilot project based on both public demand and available state police resources;
 - (b) Provide testing in each county at least one (1) time each month;
 - (c) Accept applications for testing slots through the state police's online application portal;
 - (d) Limit testing only to residents of the pilot project county where the test will be administered;
 - (e) Limit testing only to applicants for an intermediate license under KRS 186.452; and
 - (f) Evaluate service levels, unsubscribed appointments, and no-shows during the term of the pilot project and, if necessary, move the pilot project to another county identified in subsection (2) of this section, while maintaining the pilot project in up to ten (10) counties during the term of the project.
- (4) The state police shall collect data on testing done under this section and, by October 31, 2025, submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission for referral to the Interim Joint Committee on Transportation providing:
 - (a) Counts of the number of available testing appointments in each county, applicants served, unclaimed testing slots, and no-show appointments;
 - (b) Information regarding how the pilot program affected testing associated with regional licensing offices; and
 - (c) Recommendations on the continuation or expansion of the pilot project.

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