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Eric Thomas, Legislative Auditor
Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

This letter serves as the Department of Licensing's response to your letter dated January 15, 2026, requesting our formal response to JLARC's report on Ignition Interlock Device Compliance and Monitoring. As requested, our agency's position has been noted below in the format requested, with additional comments provided regarding each recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION	AGENCY POSITION	COMMENTS
Licensing should establish clear objectives, responsibilities, and performance goals for the financial assistance program.	Concur	<p>-DOL is already reviewing its public communication materials to identify opportunities to improve driver awareness of the reimbursement program.</p> <p>-DOL is reviewing its processes relating to enforcing the 48-hour vendor reporting requirement.</p> <p>-DOL looks forward to developing proposed goals and strategies for increasing utilization of the reimbursement program and working with the Legislature to fund those efforts.</p>
Licensing and State Patrol should create a formal agreement to jointly administer their ignition interlock responsibilities.	Concur	DOL and WSP are meeting on a quarterly basis and plan to use this time to develop a joint agreement.

Licensing and State Patrol should develop a coordinated strategy to increase the installation rate and report back to the Legislature.	Concur	DOL and WSP will be developing a list of policy options for the Legislature to consider addressing some of the underlying barriers to installation, such as financial burden, and to increase installation rates.
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Thank you for the opportunity to respond to JLARC's report. We look forward to reporting back to JLARC on further investments that can be made to improve the performance of the Ignition Interlock Device program.

Sincerely,



Marcus J. Glasper
Director