
Juvenile Justice & Family Law Committee

HB 2829

Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to revocation of juvenile driving privileges.

Sponsors: Representatives Mielke, Murray, Haigh, Mitchell, Boldt, Dunn, Schindler, Woods and Doumit.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Provides for the automatic reinstatement at age 18 of a juvenile's driving privilege that was revoked prior to age 18.
- Provides for the automatic reinstatement at age 21 of a juvenile's driving privilege that was revoked between age 18 and 21.

Hearing Date: 2/6/02

Staff: Tracey Taylor (786-7196).

Background:

The Department of Licensing (DOL) may suspended or revoke a person's driving privilege for a number of reasons, including specific criminal convictions, such as DUI, Reckless Driving and Hit and Run Attended, and for refusing to submit to an alcohol test as required by the implied consent laws.

The DOL may suspend or revoke a juvenile's driving privilege if the juvenile is convicted of:

- any offense committed while armed with a firearm;
- any offense regarding the purchase, possession, or consumption of alcohol;
- any violation of the legend drug laws;
- any violation of the controlled substance laws; and
- any violation of the imitation controlled substance laws.

The first license revocation is one year or until the juvenile reaches age 17, whichever is

longer. The second or subsequent revocation is two years or until the juvenile reaches age 18, whichever is longer. All revocations are consecutive. A juvenile may petition the juvenile court for reinstatement at an earlier date but the decision to grant reinstatement is within the court's discretion.

Summary of Bill:

The first license revocation for a juvenile shall be until the juvenile reaches age 18 or one year, whichever period is shorter.

A juvenile's license shall be reinstated at age 18 for revocations incurred before the juvenile reaches the age of 18.

A juvenile's license shall be reinstated at age 21 for revocation incurred between the age of 18 and 21 years.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.