

HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS

SSB 5065

Title: An act relating to revocation of driving privileges.

Brief Description: Revoking driving privileges for alcohol violations until the person is age twenty-one.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Rasmussen, Goings, Deccio, Honeyford, Winsley, Rossi, Hochstatter, Oke and Costa).

Brief Summary of Bill

- Subjects offenders up to the age of 21 to driver's license revocation for certain offenses.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Staff: Mark Friendshuh (786-7291); Bill Perry (786-7123).

Background:

A juvenile's driver's license is revoked upon conviction of violating any provision of the statutes regulating alcohol, legend drugs, controlled substances, or imitation controlled substances. A juvenile's license is also revoked for a conviction of illegally possessing a firearm in a vehicle or committing an offense while armed with a firearm during which offense a motor vehicle was involved.

When a juvenile is found guilty of any of the offenses above, the court must notify the Department of Licensing, which must, in turn, revoke the juvenile's driver's license for one year or until age 17, whichever is longer, for a first offense, or two years or until age 18 for second and subsequent offenses.

Summary of Bill:

When a court convicts a person under the age of 21 of violating any provision of the statutes regulating alcohol, legend drugs, controlled substances, or imitation controlled substances, the court must notify the Department of Licensing which must, in turn, revoke the offender's license for one year or until age 17, whichever is longer, for a first offense, or two years or until age 18 for second and subsequent offenses.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

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