

HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS

HB 1254

Title: An act relating to the destruction of driving records.

Brief Description: Prohibiting destruction of driving records for alcohol or drug-related offenses.

Sponsors: Representatives Sterk, D. Sommers, Carrell, Mulliken, Delvin, Chandler, O'Brien and Bush.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Staff: Bill Perry (786-7123).

Background: The Department of Licensing (DOL) is required or authorized to keep a wide variety of records relating to motor vehicles and drivers. The DOL is authorized to destroy some of these records after a specified period of time, or after they have been computerized or microfilmed.

Conviction records for vehicular homicide or vehicular assault are not to be destroyed and are to be maintained permanently.— Conviction records for alcohol related offenses such as drunk driving are not to be destroyed until at least 10 years after conviction.

Summary of Bill: The DOL is prohibited from destroying conviction records for alcohol related driving offenses.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

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