

Note: Commissioner Snemis is available today to the press to take questions regarding the BMV Reinstatement Relief Program.

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BMV Announces Reinstatement Relief Program

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – Don Snemis, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), announced today a new BMV Reinstatement Relief Program that will allow suspended drivers to pay temporarily reduced reinstatement fees and earn reinstatement, as long as all other legal requirements for reinstatement are met.

The BMV's new Reinstatement Relief Program offers a 50% discount for any reinstatement fees incurred prior to July 1, 2013 for operating a motor vehicle without financial responsibility (insurance), as long as those fees are paid by December 31, 2014, at which time all fees will return to their full amount. BMV fees assessed on or after July 1, 2013, and fees imposed by courts, are not included in this program.

"The purpose of this program is to reduce the number of drivers on our delinquency rolls and give people an opportunity to get legal and back on the road. More than 250,000 drivers currently owe the Indiana BMV over \$118 million in reinstatement fees that are over a year old. We would like to see a substantial reduction in those numbers" said Commissioner Snemis. "We hope this program encourages suspended drivers to take an important step toward earning back their driving privileges."

Starting Monday, July 21, 2014 customers will be able to log into their <u>myBMV.com</u> account to check their eligibility and to pay reinstatement fees online. Over the next few weeks, notices will be mailed to eligible customers containing further instructions on other methods of payment. Reinstatement fees cannot be paid at license branches.

Customers who participate in the BMV's Reinstatement Relief Program may be required to complete other tasks before earning their driving privileges, such as providing proof of insurance, completing a driver safety program, paying court fees, or successfully passing a driver's license written knowledge exam, driving skills exam or vision screening.

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