

HOUSE BILL No. 1203

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-30-5-18.

Synopsis: Vehicle registration and driving while intoxicated. Requires a court to impound the certificate of registration and license plate of a vehicle owned by or registered to a person who is convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated if the court recommends suspension of the person's license. Allows a person who has had a license plate impounded to receive a probationary license plate from the bureau of motor vehicles that contains a unique series of letters and numbers that may be identified by a law enforcement officer. Provides that a law enforcement officer may stop at any time a vehicle that displays a probationary license plate.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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January 11, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1998 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-30-5-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 3 1, 1999]: **Sec. 18. (a) In addition to a criminal penalty imposed for**
- 4 **an offense under this chapter, if a court recommends the**
- 5 **suspension of a person's driving privileges under section 10 of this**
- 6 **chapter, the court shall issue an order impounding the certificate**
- 7 **of registration and license plate for a vehicle owned by the person**
- 8 **or registered to the person.**
- 9 (b) A certificate of registration and license plate impounded by
- 10 a court under this section must be surrendered to the court not
- 11 more than three (3) days after the court issues the order
- 12 impounding the certificate of registration and license plate.
- 13 (c) A person may not recover from a court a certificate of
- 14 registration or license plate impounded under this section until:
- 15 (1) the person's driving privileges have been restored; or
- 16 (2) the person sells or transfers to another person the vehicle
- 17 for which the certificate of registration or license plate has

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1 **been issued.**
2 **(d) If a court issues an order under subsection (a) impounding**
3 **a license plate for a vehicle owned by or registered to a person, the**
4 **person may receive from the bureau a probationary license plate**
5 **and certificate of registration if:**
6 **(1) the person has been granted probationary driving**
7 **privileges under this chapter; or**
8 **(2) a member of the person's household possesses a valid**
9 **driver's license.**
10 **(e) A probationary license plate issued under subsection (d)**
11 **must display a unique series of numbers and letters that may be**
12 **identified by a law enforcement officer.**
13 **(f) If a person:**
14 **(1) applies for and accepts; or**
15 **(2) operates a vehicle that displays;**
16 **a probationary license plate issued under this section, the person**
17 **gives implied consent for a law enforcement officer to stop at any**
18 **time a vehicle that displays the probationary license plate.**
19 **(g) The bureau may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement**
20 **this section.**

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