

HOUSE BILL 129

Introduced by Fagg, et al.

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1/09	Referred to Judiciary
1/10	First Reading
1/15	Hearing
1/15	Committee Report--Bill Not Passed
1/17	Adverse Committee Report Adopted

1 House BILL NO. 129
 2 INTRODUCED BY Jay A. Clarke
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A COURT TO
 5 ORDER IMPOUNDMENT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE USED BY A PERSON
 6 CONVICTED OF DRIVING WHILE HIS LICENSE IS SUSPENDED OR
 7 REVOKED; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-5-212, MCA."

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 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

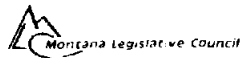
10 **Section 1.** Section 61-5-212, MCA, is amended to read:

11 "61-5-212. Driving while license suspended or revoked
 12 -- penalty. (1) Any person who drives a motor vehicle or
 13 commercial motor vehicle on any public highway of this state
 14 at a time when his privilege to do so is suspended or
 15 revoked in this state or any other state is guilty of a
 16 misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by
 17 imprisonment for not less than 2 days or more than 6 months
 18 and may be fined not more than \$500. In addition, the court
 19 may order a law enforcement officer to impound the motor
 20 vehicle or commercial motor vehicle the person was operating
 21 for a period of time not to exceed 60 days if the court
 22 finds that the person either owns the vehicle or is the only
 23 person who uses the vehicle. The court may also order the
 24 person to pay the costs of impoundment.

25 (2) The department upon receiving a record of the

1 conviction of any person under this section upon a charge of
 2 driving a vehicle while the person's license or commercial
 3 vehicle operator's endorsement was suspended or revoked
 4 shall extend the period of suspension or revocation for an
 5 additional like period."

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