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HOUSE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{E}$ " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1746, L.D. 2395, Bill, "AN ACT to Strengthen the Drunk Driving Laws."

Amend the amendment in section 3, in the last line (page 2, line 36 in amendment) by inserting after the underlined word "drugs" the following: ', and the court is satisfied that probable cause exists to believe that the operator committed the offense charged'

Further amend the amendment in section 17, 16 in paragraph D, in the 11th line (page 13, line 31 in 17 amendment) by inserting after the underlined word and punctuation "oath." the following: 'The result of a test taken pursuant to this paragraph is not admissible at trial unless the court is satisfied that probable cause exists, independent of such test result, to believe that the operator was under the 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs or had 25 excessive blood-alcohol level.

26 Further amend the amendment in section 17, in the last line (page 14, line 3 in amendment) by inserting 27 28 after the underlined word and punctuation "level." the following: 'If the person shows, after hearing, that he was not under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs or that he did not negligently cause the death. 29 30 31 32 death, then any suspension shall be removed 33 immediately.'

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1 Further amend the amendment in section 22, in 2 subsection 11, lines 7 to 9 (page 18, lines 7 to 9 in 3 amendment) by striking out the following: "shall 4 within 6 years of the date of the conviction be a 5 conditional license,"

6 Further amend the amendment in section 22, in 7 subsection 11, in the 2nd line from the end (page 18, 8 line 11 in amendment) by inserting after the 9 underlined word "liquor" the following: ', for the 10 following periods: On first conviction or 11 adjudication, one year from license reinstatement 12 date; and on a 2nd or subsequent conviction or 13 adjudication, 6 years from date of conviction'

Further amend the amendment in section 23, in that part designated "<u>§1312-G.</u>" in subsection 2, in the last line (page 19, line 13 in amendment) by inserting after the underlined word and punctuation "<u>apply.</u>" the following: 'The court shall nevertheless order the vehicle released to any co-owner who was not the operator if that co-owner was not previously notified of a prior seizure of that vehicle.'

Further amend the amendment in section 23, in that part designated "<u>§1312-G.</u>" in subsection 5, paragraph G, in the 2nd line (page 22, line 24 in amendment) by inserting after the underlined words "<u>subject to</u>" the underlined word '<u>documented</u>'

Further amend the amendment in section 23, in that part designated "<u>§1312-G</u>." in subsection 5, paragraph G, in lines 3, 4 and 5 (page 22, lines 25 to 27 in amendment) by striking out the underlined words "on file with the Secretary of State or the corresponding officer in the State of registration or title"

Further amend the amendment in section 23, in that part designated "<u>§1312-G</u>." in subsection 6, in lines 9 to 12 (page 23, lines 14 to 17 in amendment) by striking out the following: ", including the full term of any revocation as habitual offender if the 3rd or subsequent conviction or adjudication was for that offense,"

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Further amend the amendment in section 24, in that part designated "<u>§1313-B.</u>" in subsection 1, in the 7th line (page 25, line 2 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "<u>1312,</u>" the following: '<u>negligently</u>'

5 Further amend the amendment in section 24, in that 6 part designated "<u>\$1313-B.</u>" in subsection 5, in the 4th 7 line (page 25, line 37 in amendment) by striking out 8 the underlined word "<u>his</u>" and inserting in its place 9 the underlined words 'the person's negligent'

Further amend the amendment in section 24, in that part designated "§1313-B." in subsection 6, in the 4th and 5th lines (page 26, lines 6 and 7 in amendment) by striking out the following: "criminal or civil charges" and inserting in its place the following: 'criminal charges or civil infractions'

16 Further amend the amendment in section 24, in that 17 part designated "<u>§1313-B.</u>" in subsection 6, in the 6th 18 line (page 26, line 8 in amendment) by striking out 19 the following: "<u>criminal or civil charges</u>" and 20 inserting in its place the following: '<u>criminal</u> 21 charges or civil infractions'

Further amend the amendment in section 24, in that part designated "<u>\$1313-B</u>." in subsection 7, in lines 7 to 9 (page 26, lines 23 to 25 in amendment) by striking out the following: "proceeding affirmatively determines that that person was not at fault" and inserting in its place the following: 'proceeding determines that that person did not negligently cause the death of the other person'

30 Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that 31 part designated "§2241-J." in subsection 1, in lines 32 5, 6, 7 and 8th lines (page 28, lines 9 to 12 in 33 amendment) by striking out the following: "who has 34 within the previous 6 years been convicted of 35 operating under the influence of intoxicating liquor 36 or drugs, or with an excessive blood-alcohol level"

37 Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that 38 part designated "§2241-J." in subsection 1, paragraph 39 B, in lines 2 and 3 (page 28, lines 18 and 19 in 40 amendment) by striking out the following: "while

1 <u>having 0.02%</u>" and inserting in its place the 2 following: '<u>during the period of the conditional</u> 3 <u>license while having 0.05%</u>' .

Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that part designated "<u>§2241-J.</u>" in subsection 2, in lines 1 to 4 (page 28, lines 21 to 24 in amendment) by striking out the following: ", within the previous 6 years has been convicted of operating under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs or with an excessive blood-alcohol ievel who"

11 Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that 12 part designated "§2241-J." in subsection 2, in the 6th 13 line (page 28 line 26 in amendment) by inserting after 14 the following: "State," the following: 'during the 15 period of a conditional license,'

Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that part designated "<u>§2241-J.</u>" in subsection 2, in the l0th line (page 28, line 30 in amendment) by striking out the following: "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: '0.05%' and in the 14th line (page 28, line 34 in amendment) by striking out the following: "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: '0.05%'

Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that part designated "<u>§2241-J.</u>" in subsection 3, in paragraph A, in the 7th line (page 29, line 9 in amendment) by striking out the following: "<u>0.028</u>" and inserting in its place the following: '<u>0.058</u>'

29 Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that part designated " $\S2241-J$ ." in subsection 4, in paragraph A, in lines 2 to 5 (page 29, lines 40 and 41 and page 30 lines 1 and 2 in amendment) by striking 30 31 32 out the following: "has within the previous 6 years been convicted of operating under the influence of 33 34 intoxicating liquor or drugs, or with an excessive blood-alcohol level" and inserting in its place the 35 36 , during the period of a conditional 37 following: 38 license

Further amend the amendment in section 29, in subsection 4, paragraph A, in the 7th line (page 30,

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1 line 4 in amendment) by striking out the following: 2 "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: '<u>0.05</u>%' 3 and in the 7th line from the end (page 30, line 12 in amendment) by striking out the following: 4 "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: "0.05%' and in the 2nd line from the end (page 30, line 17 in amendment) by striking out the following: 5 6 7 8 "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: '<u>0.05%</u>' 9

Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that part designated "<u>§2241-J.</u>" in subsection 8, in paragraph B, in subparagraph (1), in the 2nd line from the end (page 33, line 9 in amendment) by striking out the following: "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: '0.05%' and in subparagraph (3), in the first line (page 33, line 13 in amendment) by striking out the following: "0.02%" and inserting in its place the following: '0.05%'

19 Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that 20 part designated "<u>§2241-J.</u>" in subsection 8, in 21 paragraph B, by striking out all of subparagraph (4) 22 (page 33, lines 15 to 18 in amendment) and inserting 23 in its place the following:

24'(4) Had a conditional license under section251312-D, subsection 11.'

Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that part designated "<u>§2241-J.</u>" in subsection 8, paragraph D, in line 4 (page 33, line 40 in amendment) by striking out the following: "had not been so convicted within 6 years of" and inserting in its place the following: 'did not have a conditional license at'

33 Further amend the amendment in section 29, in that 34 part designated " $\underline{\$2241-J}$ ." in subsection 8, in 35 paragraph D, in the 7th line (page 34, line 3 in 36 amendment) by striking out the following: " $\underline{0.02\$}$ " and 37 inserting in its place the following: ' $\underline{0.05\$}$ '

38 Further amend the bill in section 29 by inserting 39 at the end the following:

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| 1  | '14. Work-restricted license. Upon receipt by          |
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| 2  | the Secretary of State of a petition for a restricted  |
| 3  | license for employment purposes by any person whose    |
| 4  | license or right to operate a motor vehicle has been   |
| 5  | suspended under subsection 1, paragraph B following a  |
| 6  | first offense of a violation of section 1312-3, the    |
| 7  | Secretary of State may stay the suspension during the  |
| 8  | statutory period and issue a restricted license if no  |
| 9  | alternate means of transportation is available as      |
| 10 | follows: A work-restricted license may be issued and   |
| 11 | shall be conditioned upon a showing by a petitioner by |
| 12 | clear and convincing evidence that such a license is   |
| 13 | necessary to operate a motor vehicle between the       |
| 14 | residence and place of employment or to operate a      |
| 15 | motor vehicle in the scope of employment, or both.     |
| 16 | The issuance of a work-restricted license under this   |
| 17 | subsection is contingent upon the completion of an     |
| 18 | alcohol treatment or rehabilitation program. The       |
| 19 | Secretary of State shall suspend, without preliminary  |
| 20 | hearing, the work-restricted license of any person who |
| 21 | is adjudicated or convicted of any violation of this   |
| 22 | Title committed during the period when a               |
| 23 | work-restricted license has been issued or who         |
| 24 | violates any restriction or condition contained on the |
| 25 | license.'  |
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## STATEMENT OF FACT

27 1. This amendment increases the blood-alcohol 28 level limit for conditional license holders from 0.02% 29 to 0.05%;

30 2. Reduces the duration of conditional licenses 31 for first time offenders to one year;

32 3. Provides for an appeal of license suspension 33 based on refusal to take a blood-alcohol test for 34 operators involved in fatal accidents;

35 4. Requires the establishment of probable cause 36 in a trial prior to admission of a test result;

37 5. Provides for a work-restricted license for a 38 first-time offender whose conditional license is

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- 1 suspended; and
- 2 6. Makes other appropriate technical changes to 3 the amendment.

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