

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 622

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROGERS.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 302.321, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the offense of driving while revoked, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 302.321, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 302.321, to read as follows:

302.321. 1. A person commits the offense of driving while revoked if such person operates a motor vehicle on a highway when such person's license or driving privilege has been cancelled, suspended, or revoked under the laws of this state or any other state and acts with criminal negligence with respect to knowledge of the fact that such person's driving privilege has been cancelled, suspended, or revoked.

2. Any person convicted of driving while revoked is guilty of a misdemeanor. A first violation of this section shall be punishable as a class D misdemeanor. A second or third violation of this section shall be punishable as a class A misdemeanor.

3. Any person with no prior alcohol-related enforcement contacts as defined in section 302.525, **who is a prior offender as defined in section 558.016 and is** convicted a fourth or subsequent time of driving while revoked or a county or municipal ordinance of driving while suspended or revoked where the defendant was represented by or waived the right to an attorney in writing, and where the prior three driving-while-revoked offenses occurred within ten years of the date of occurrence of the present offense~~[-and]~~ **is guilty of a class E felony.**

4. Any person with a prior alcohol-related enforcement contact as defined in section 302.525, **who is a prior offender as defined in section 558.016 and is** convicted a third or subsequent time of driving while revoked or a county or municipal ordinance of driving while

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 suspended or revoked where the defendant was represented by or waived the right to an attorney
19 in writing, and where the prior two driving-while-revoked offenses occurred within ten years of
20 the date of occurrence of the present offense and where the person received and served a sentence
21 of ten days or more on such previous offenses is guilty of a class E felony.

22 **5.** Except upon conviction as a first offense, no court shall suspend the imposition of
23 sentence as to such a person nor sentence such person to pay a fine in lieu of a term of
24 imprisonment, nor shall such person be eligible for parole or probation until such person has
25 served a minimum of forty-eight consecutive hours of imprisonment, unless as a condition of
26 such parole or probation, such person performs at least ten days involving at least forty hours of
27 community service under the supervision of the court in those jurisdictions which have a
28 recognized program for community service.

29 **6.** Driving while revoked is a class E felony on the second or subsequent conviction
30 pursuant to section 577.010 or a fourth or subsequent conviction for any other offense. Prior
31 pleas of guilty and prior findings of guilty shall be pleaded and proven in the same manner as
32 required by section 558.021.

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