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By: Senators Baker, Jimeno, Green, Colburn, Ferguson, Forehand, Haines, Mooney, and Stone Stone, and Hooper Introduced and read first time: February 2, 1999 Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings Committee Report: Favorable with amendments Senate action: Adopted Read second time: February 24, 1999				
1 A	N ACT concerning			
2 3	Offenses Involving Destructive Devices - Penalties - Suspension of Driving Privileges and Parental Restitution			
5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	OR the purpose of authorizing the court to order the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend the driving privilege of a child convicted of a crime or found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device; specifying that a court may order a child found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device to pay restitution to certain entities and persons; authorizing a court to order a child, the child's parent, or both to pay restitution for offenses involving a destructive device under certain circumstances; establishing that, except under certain circumstances, a certain provision of law regarding restitution for offenses committed by a child applies to an order of restitution under this Act; establishing procedures for the suspension of a child's driving privilege under certain circumstances; requiring a county superintendent of schools to suspend or expel a student convicted of a crime or found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device; establishing procedures for the suspension or expulsion of certain students under certain circumstances; authorizing a county superintendent to require a student or a student's parent to make certain restitution under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to penalties for offenses involving destructive devices.			
22 B 23	Y repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments			

Section 139A, 139D, 151A, and 151C Annotated Code of Maryland

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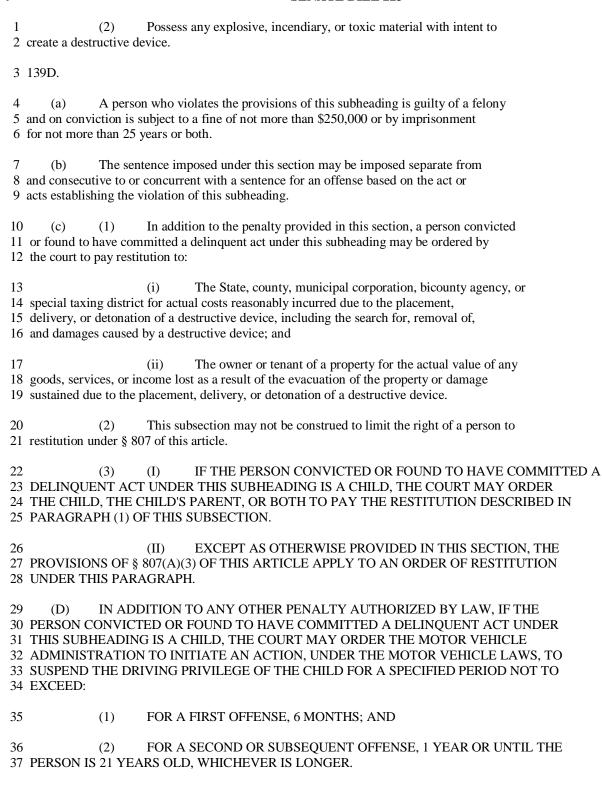
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In this subheading the following words have the meanings indicated.

"CHILD" MEANS A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS.

				"Destructive device" means explosive, incendiary, or toxic ed with a delivery or detonating apparatus so as to be persons or damage to property.
4		(2)	"Destru	ctive device" includes:
				Devices which are primarily designed and manufactured for talities of destruction, including any bomb, grenade, wer, or poison gas; and
10 11	delivery, act	tivation of a m	or detonat nilitary or	Any explosive, incendiary, or toxic material which has been erized or otherwise equipped with any sort of special ion component so as to give it the destructive dnance, including a Molotov cocktail, pipe bomb, or nitrate.
13 14	[(c)] detonated ar	(D) nd has a o	(1) destructiv	"Explosive material" means material which explodes when the capability.
15		(2)	"Explos	ive material" includes:
16			(i)	Explosives as defined in Article 38A, § 26 of the Code; and
	gas in pipeli facilities.	nes and	(ii) storage ta	Dynamite for construction work, ammonium nitrate, natural nks, ether, and cannisterized oxygen for health care
	explosives is configuration			ive material" does not include those items excluded as 6 of the Code when those items are used in their original
23	[(d)]	(E)	(1)	"Incendiary material" means a flammable or combustible liquid
24 25	fuel, fuel oil	(2) , keroser		iary material" includes gasoline, acetone, benzene, butane, jet esel fuel.
	[(e)] death or seri skin, inhaled			"Toxic material" means material which is capable of causing almost immediately on being absorbed through the
29 30	chlorine gas	(2) s, and sul		material" includes nerve gas, mustard gas, cyanide gas, id.
31	139C.			
32	A person	n may no	t knowin	gly:
33 34	a destructive	(1) e device;		cture, transport, possess, control, store, sell, distribute, or use

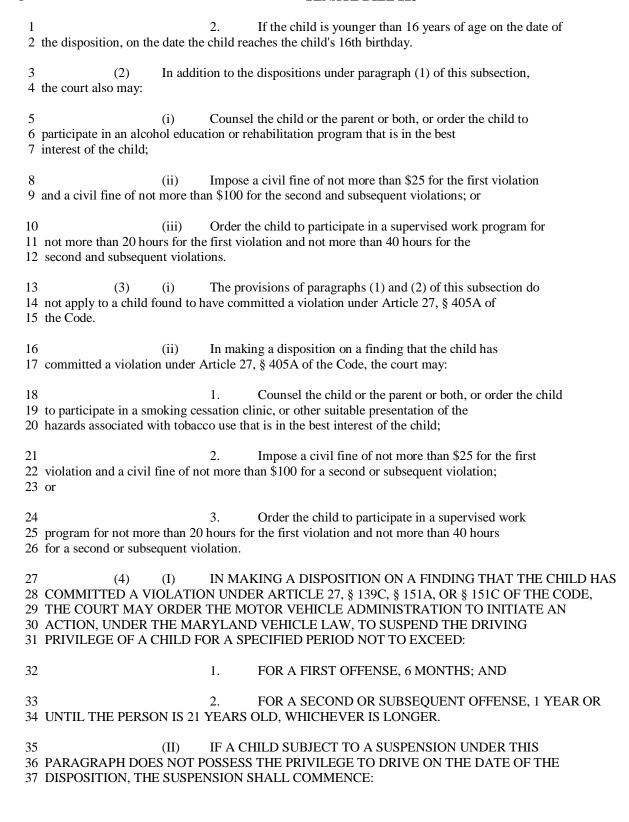


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- 2 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "CHILD" MEANS A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 18 3 YEARS.
- 4 [(a)] (B) A person is guilty of a felony if, knowing the statement or rumor to be
- 5 false, he circulates or transmits to another or others, with intent that it be acted
- 6 upon, a statement or rumor, written, printed, by any electronic means, or by word of
- 7 mouth, concerning the location or possible detonation of a destructive device, as
- 8 defined in § 139A of this article. An offense under this section committed by the use of
- 9 a telephone or by other electronic means may be deemed to have been committed
- 10 either at the place at which the telephone call or calls were made or the electronic
- 11 communication originated or at the place at which the telephone call or calls or
- 12 electronic communication were received.
- 13 [(b)] (C) A person convicted of violating this section is subject to a fine not
- 14 exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment not exceeding 10 years, or to both such fine and
- 15 imprisonment in the discretion of the court. This section does not apply to any
- 16 statement or rumor made or circulated by an officer, employee, or agent of a bona fide
- 17 civilian defense organization or agency, if made in the regular course of his duties
- 18 with that organization or agency.
- 19 [(c)] (D) (1) In addition to the penalty provided in subsection [(b)] (C) of this
- 20 section, a person convicted OR FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED A DELINQUENT ACT
- 21 under this section may be ordered by the court to pay restitution to:
- 22 (i) The State, county, municipal corporation, bicounty agency, or
- 23 special taxing district for actual costs reasonably incurred due to the response to a
- 24 location and search for a destructive device caused by the false statement or rumor of
- 25 a destructive device; and
- 26 (ii) The owner or tenant of a property for the actual value of any
- 27 goods, services, or income lost as a result of the evacuation of the property in response
- 28 to the false statement or rumor of a destructive device.
- 29 (2) This subsection may not be construed to limit the right of a person to
- 30 restitution under § 807 of this article.
- 31 (3) (I) IF THE PERSON CONVICTED OR FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED A
- 32 DELINQUENT ACT UNDER THIS SECTION IS A CHILD, THE COURT MAY ORDER THE
- 33 CHILD, THE CHILD'S PARENT, OR BOTH TO PAY THE RESTITUTION DESCRIBED IN
- 34 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- 35 (II) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE
- 36 PROVISIONS OF § 807(A)(3) OF THIS ARTICLE APPLY TO AN ORDER OF RESTITUTION
- 37 UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 38 (E) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTY AUTHORIZED BY LAW, IF THE
- 39 PERSON CONVICTED OR FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED A DELINQUENT ACT UNDER
- 40 THIS SECTION IS A CHILD, THE COURT MAY ORDER THE MOTOR VEHICLE

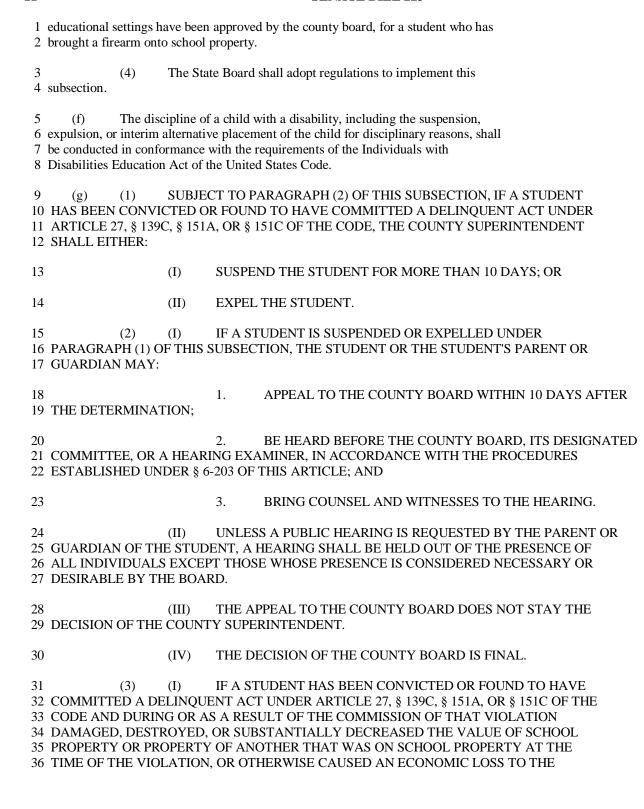
- 1 ADMINISTRATION TO INITIATE AN ACTION, UNDER THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, TO 2 SUSPEND THE DRIVING PRIVILEGE OF THE CHILD FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD NOT TO 3 EXCEED:
- 4 (1) FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, 6 MONTHS; AND
- 5 (2) FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, 1 YEAR OR UNTIL THE 6 PERSON IS 21 YEARS OLD, WHICHEVER IS LONGER.
- 7 151C.
- 8 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "CHILD" MEANS A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 18 9 YEARS.
- 10 [(a)] (B) A person may not manufacture, possess, transport, or place a device
- 11 that is constructed to represent a destructive device, as defined in § 139A of this
- 12 article, with the intent to terrorize, frighten, intimidate, threaten, or harass.
- 13 [(b)] (C) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and on
- 14 conviction, is subject to imprisonment for not more than 10 years or a fine of not more
- 15 than \$10,000 or both.
- 16 [(c)] (D) (1) In addition to the penalty provided in subsection [(b)] (C) of this
- 17 section, a person convicted OR FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED A DELINQUENT ACT
- 18 under this section may be ordered by the court to pay restitution to:
- 19 (i) The State, county, municipal corporation, bicounty agency, or
- 20 special taxing district for actual costs reasonably incurred in the search for and
- 21 removal of any devices representing destructive devices; and
- 22 (ii) The owner or tenant of a property for the actual value of any
- 23 goods, services, or income lost as a result of the evacuation of the property in response
- 24 to the representation of a destructive device.
- 25 (2) This subsection may not be construed to limit the right of a person to
- 26 restitution under § 807 of this article.
- 27 (3) (I) IF THE PERSON CONVICTED OR FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED A
- 28 DELINQUENT ACT IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS A CHILD, THE COURT MAY
- 29 ORDER THE CHILD, THE CHILD'S PARENT, OR BOTH TO PAY THE RESTITUTION
- 30 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
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	SUSPEND THE DRIVING PRIVILEGE OF THE CHILD FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED:
3	(1) FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, 6 MONTHS; AND
4 5	(2) FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, 1 YEAR OR UNTIL THE PERSON IS 21 YEARS OLD, WHICHEVER IS LONGER.
6	Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
7	3-820.
10 11 12	(d) (1) (i) Subject to the provisions of subparagraphs (iii) and (iv) of this paragraph, in making a disposition on a finding that the child has committed the violation specified in a citation, the court may order the Motor Vehicle Administration to initiate an action, under the motor vehicle laws, to suspend the driving privilege of a child licensed to operate a motor vehicle by the Motor Vehicle Administration for a specified period of not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days.
	(ii) In this paragraph "driver's license" means a license or permit to drive a motor vehicle that is issued under the laws of this State or any other jurisdiction.
19 20 21	(iii) In making a disposition on a finding that the child has committed a violation under Article 27, § 400 of the Code specified in a citation that involved the use of a driver's license or a document purporting to be a driver's license, the court may order the Motor Vehicle Administration to initiate an action under the Maryland Vehicle Law to suspend the driving privilege of a child licensed to operate a motor vehicle by the Motor Vehicle Administration:
23	1. For a first offense, for 6 months; and
24 25	2. For a second or subsequent offense, until the child is 21 years old.
28 29 30	(iv) In making a disposition on a finding that the child has committed a violation under § 26-103 of the Education Article, the court shall order the Motor Vehicle Administration to initiate an action, under the motor vehicle laws, to suspend the driving privilege of a child licensed to operate a motor vehicle by the Motor Vehicle Administration for a specified period of not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days.
	(v) If a child subject to a suspension under this subsection does not hold a license to operate a motor vehicle on the date of the disposition, the suspension shall commence:
35 36	1. If the child is at least 16 years of age on the date of the disposition, on the date of the disposition; or

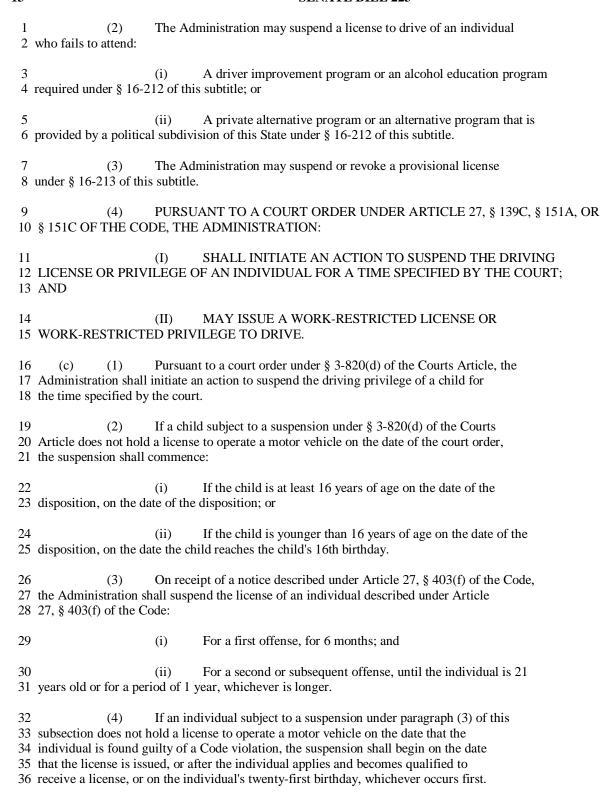


	1. IF THE CHILD IS AT AN AGE THAT IS ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN THE PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE ON THE DATE OF THE DISPOSITION, ON THE DATE OF THE DISPOSITION; OR
	2. IF THE CHILD IS YOUNGER THAN AN AGE THAT IS ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN THE PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE ON THE DATE OF THE DISPOSITION, ON THE DATE THE CHILD IS ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN DRIVING PRIVILEGES.
7	Article - Education
8	7-305.
	(a) (1) In accordance with the rules and regulations of the county board, each principal of a public school may suspend for cause, for not more than 10 school days, any student in the school who is under the direction of the principal.
	(2) The student or his parent or guardian promptly shall be given a conference with the principal and any other appropriate personnel during the suspension period.
15 16	(b) At the request of a principal, a county superintendent may suspend a student for more than 10 school days or expel him.
	(c) (1) If a principal finds that a suspension of more than 10 school days or expulsion is warranted, he immediately shall report the matter in writing to the county superintendent.
20 21	(2) The county superintendent or his designated representative promptly shall make a thorough investigation of the matter.
	(3) If after the investigation the county superintendent finds that a longer suspension or expulsion is warranted, he or his designated representative promptly shall arrange a conference with the student and his parent or guardian.
	(4) If after the conference the county superintendent or his designated representative finds that a suspension of more than 10 school days or expulsion is warranted, the student or his parent or guardian may:
28 29	(i) Appeal to the county board within 10 days after the determination;
	(ii) Be heard before the county board, its designated committee, or a hearing examiner, in accordance with the procedures established under § 6-203 of this article; and
33	(iii) Bring counsel and witnesses to the hearing.
	(5) Unless a public hearing is requested by the parent or guardian of the student, a hearing shall be held out of the presence of all individuals except those whose presence is considered necessary or desirable by the board.

1 2	county super	(6) rintenden	The appeal to the county board does not stay the decision of the t.
3		(7)	The decision of the county board is final.
4	(d)	(1)	Any student expelled or suspended from school:
5 6	each school	day when	(i) Shall remain away from the school premises during those hours the school the student attends is in session; and
7			(ii) May not participate in school sponsored activities.
10			The expelled or suspended student may return to the school premises hours only for attendance at a previously scheduled he student is a minor then only if accompanied by his parent or
	guilty of a reach violation		Any person who violates paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection is nor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$100 for
17 18	conferring v was referred	with the to	(i) If a student has been suspended or expelled, the principal or a sipal may not return the student to the classroom without eacher who referred the student to the principal, if the student cher, other teachers as appropriate, other appropriate school t, and the student's parent or guardian.
			(ii) If the disruptive behavior results in action less than suspension, ignee of the principal shall confer with the teacher who referred acipal prior to returning the student to that teacher's classroom.
	currently ex expulsion.	(5) apelled fro	A county superintendent may deny attendance to any student who is om another school system for a length of time equal to that
			A school system shall forward information to another school system ine of a student, including information on an expulsion of the the request for information.
29 30	(e) § 921.	(1)	In this subsection, "firearm" means a firearm as defined in 18 U.S.C.
33		brought a	Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, if the county superintendent's designated representative finds that a firearm onto school property, the student shall be expelled for .
35 36	shorter perio	(3) od of exp	The county superintendent may specify, on a case by case basis, a ulsion or an alternative educational setting, if alternative



	SCHOOL, THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT MAY REQUIRE THE STUDENT OR THE STUDENT'S PARENT TO MAKE RESTITUTION.
5	(II) THE RESTITUTION MAY BE IN THE FORM OF MONETARY RESTITUTION NOT TO EXCEED THE LESSER OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY OR \$2,500, OR THE STUDENT'S ASSIGNMENT TO A SCHOOL WORK PROJECT, OR BOTH.
7 8	(H) (1) This subsection does not apply if the student is referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice.
11 12 13	(2) If a student violates a State or local law or regulation and during or as a result of the commission of that violation damaged, destroyed, or substantially decreased the value of school property or property of another that was on school property at the time of the violation, as part of a conference on the matter with the student, the student's parent or guardian and any other appropriate person, the principal shall require the student or the student's parent to make restitution.
	(3) The restitution may be in the form of monetary restitution not to exceed the lesser of the fair market value of the property or \$2,500, or the student's assignment to a school work project, or both.
18	Article - Transportation
19	16-206.
	(a) (1) The Administration may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew the license of any resident or the privilege to drive of any nonresident on a showing by its records or other sufficient evidence that the applicant or licensee:
	(i) Has been convicted of moving violations so often as to indicate an intent to disregard the traffic laws and the safety of other persons on the highways;
26 27	(ii) Is an unfit, unsafe, or habitually reckless or negligent driver of a motor vehicle;
28 29	(iii) Has permitted an unlawful or fraudulent use of a license, identification card, or a facsimile of a license or identification card;
	(iv) Has used a license, identification card, or a facsimile of a license or identification card in an unlawful or fraudulent manner, unless the applicant or licensee is subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section;
33 34	(v) Has committed an offense in another state that, if committed in this State, would be grounds for suspension or revocation; or
35	(vi) Has knowingly made a false certification of required security in



1			ninistration may modify a suspension under this subsection or issue a restricted license if:
3 4		(i) preventi	The license is required for the purpose of attending an alcohol on or treatment program;
5 6	the course of employm	(ii) nent;	The child or individual is required to drive a motor vehicle in
	adversely affected because	ause the	It finds that the individual's or child's employment would be individual or child has no reasonable alternative om a place of employment; or
		cause the	It finds that the individual's or child's education would be individual or child has no reasonable alternative ucational purposes.
15 16 17	determines that a susp section, or determines subsection (a)(3) of the notice to the applicant	ension slot that a sunis section to the section	e Administration refuses to issue a license under this section, hould be imposed under subsection (a)(2) of this aspension or revocation should be imposed under n, the Administration immediately shall give written see, and the applicant or licensee may request a c, Subtitle 2 of this article.
21 22	PRIVILEGE OF AN ADMINISTRATION	INDIVII SHALL	THE ADMINISTRATION SUSPENDS THE DRIVING LICENSE OR DUAL UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(4) OF THIS SECTION, THE SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING AL'S RIGHT TO CONTEST THE ACCURACY OF THE
24	. (3)	ANY CO	ONTEST UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE LIMITED TO:
		(I) INDIVII	WHETHER THE ADMINISTRATION HAS MISTAKEN THE DUAL WHOSE LICENSE OR PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE HAS BEEN
28 29		(II) D LICEN	WHETHER THE INDIVIDUAL MAY BE ISSUED A NSE OR WORK-RESTRICTED PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE.
		e a licen	Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Administration se under this section only after a hearing under Title
	L(-/J	diate dan	If the Administration determines that there is a likelihood of ger and harm to the licensee or others if the license is he Administration:
36	j	(i)	Immediately may suspend the license;

- 1 (ii) Within 7 days of a request for a hearing, shall grant the licensee 2 a hearing as provided in Title 12, Subtitle 2 of this article; and
- 3 (iii) After the hearing, render an immediate decision as to whether 4 or not it should continue the suspension or revoke the license.
- 5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 6 October July 1, 1999.