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SYNOPSIS

Authorizes suspension of motor vehicle registration.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Transportation Committee on November 27, 2006, with amendments.

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1 AN ACT concerning motor vehicle registration and amending 2 P.L.1985, c.14. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 9 of P.L.1985, c.14 (C.39:4-139.10) is amended to 8 read as follows: 9 9. a. If a person has failed to respond to a failure to appear 10 notice or has failed to pay a parking judgment, the municipal court 11 may give notice of that fact to the [division] commission in a 12 manner prescribed by the [director] chief administrator. If notice 13 has been given under this section of a person's failure to respond to 14 a failure to appear notice or to pay a parking judgment and if the 15 fines and penalties are paid or if the case is dismissed or otherwise disposed of, the municipal court shall promptly give notice to that 16 17 effect to the [division] commission. 18 b. The judge or the [division] commission may suspend the 19 driver's license, or the registration of the motor vehicle of an owner, 20 lessee, or operator who has not answered or appeared in response to 21 a failure to appear notice or has not paid or otherwise satisfied 22 outstanding parking fines or penalties. If an owner, lessee or 23 operator has been found guilty of a parking offense, the court shall 24 provide notice and an opportunity to appear before a judge prior to 25 suspending that person's driver's license or motor vehicle ¹In determining whether to suspend the person's 26 registration. driver's license or the motor vehicle registration, the judge and the 27 28 commission shall take into consideration the area where the person 29 resides and whether or not the person has access to off-street 30 <u>parking.</u>¹ If the owner, lessee or operator is found by the court to be indigent or is participating in a government-based income 31 32 maintenance program, that person shall be permitted to pay the parking fine and other penalties in installments in accordance with 33 34 section 1 of P.L.1981, c.365 (C.39:4-203.1). 35 The division commission shall keep a record of a 36 suspension ordered by the court pursuant to subsection b. of this 37 section. 38 (cf: P.L.1999, c.397, s.1) 39 40 2. Section 10 of P.L.1985, c.14 (C.39:4-139.11) is amended to 41 read as follows: 42 10. a. When a person whose license or motor vehicle registration 43 has been suspended pursuant to subsection b. of section 9 of [this act] <u>P.L.1985, c.14</u> [(C.39:4-139.2 et seq.)] (C.39:4-139.10)¹ 44 EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in **bold-faced** brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows: ¹Senate STR committee amendments adopted November 27, 2006.

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1 satisfies the fines and any penalties imposed by the court, the court

2 shall forward to the [division] <u>commission</u> a notice to restore the

3 person's driver's license <u>or</u> $\frac{1 \text{ motor vehicle}^1 \text{ registration}}{1 \text{ motor vehicle}^1 \text{ registration}}$.

4 b. Upon receiving a notice to restore pursuant to subsection a.

5 of this section, the [division] <u>commission</u> shall record the 6 restoration and notify the person of the restoration.

7 (cf: P.L.1985, c.14, s.10)

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9 3. This act shall take effect ¹[immediately] <u>on the first day of</u>

10 <u>the sixth month after enactment</u>¹.