

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1179**

Introduced by

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Senators J. Lee, Oban, Rust

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 39-06.1-10 and section  
2 39-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the issuance of temporary restricted  
3 licenses to operators participating in the twenty-four seven sobriety program.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 4 of section 39-06.1-10 of the North Dakota  
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 7 4. a. If the director is informed by a court that an individual has been convicted of  
8 violating section 39-08-01, or equivalent ordinance, the director, subject to the  
9 offender's opportunity for hearing under subsection 1, shall suspend that  
10 individual's operator's license until the offender furnishes to the director the  
11 written statement of the counselor or instructor of an appropriate licensed  
12 addiction treatment program that the offender does not require either an  
13 education or treatment program or that the offender has physically attended the  
14 prescribed program and has complied with the attendance rules. The director  
15 shall send notice to the offender informing the offender of the provisions of this  
16 subsection.
- 17 b. If within the seven years preceding the most recent violation of section 39-08-01,  
18 or equivalent ordinance, the offender has previously violated section 39-08-01, or  
19 equivalent ordinance, at least three times, the driving privileges must be  
20 suspended and may be restored only after ~~that individual~~the offender has  
21 completed addiction treatment through an appropriate licensed addiction  
22 treatment program and has had no alcohol-related or drug-related offense for two  
23 consecutive years after completion of treatment. The offender must receive a

1                   temporary restricted license during the suspension period, in accordance with  
2                   section 39-06.1-11.

3           **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
4 amended and reenacted as follows:

5           **39-06.1-11. Temporary restricted license - Ignition interlock device.**

6           1. Except as provided under subsection 2 or 3, if the director has suspended a license  
7           under section 39-06.1-10 or has extended a suspension or revocation under section  
8           39-06-43, upon receiving written application from the offender affected, the director  
9           may for good cause issue a temporary restricted operator's license valid for the  
10           remainder of the suspension period after seven days of the suspension period have  
11           passed.

12           2. If the director has suspended a license under chapter 39-20, or after a violation of  
13           section 39-08-01 or equivalent ordinance, upon written application of the offender the  
14           director may issue a temporary restricted license that takes effect after thirty days of  
15           the suspension have been served after a first offense under section 39-08-01 or  
16           chapter 39-20, but if the offender is participating in the twenty-four seven sobriety  
17           program under chapter 54-12, the director ~~may~~shall issue a temporary restricted  
18           license that takes effect after fourteen days of the suspension have been served if the  
19           driver is not subject to any unrelated suspension or revocation.

20           3. ~~The director may not issue a temporary restricted license to any offender whose~~  
21           ~~operator's license has been revoked under section 39-20-04 or suspended upon a~~  
22           ~~second or subsequent offense under section 39-08-01 or chapter 39-20, except that~~  
23           a A temporary restricted license ~~may~~must be issued in accordance with subsection 7 if  
24           the offender is participating in the twenty-four seven sobriety program under chapter  
25           54-12 or if the offender has not committed an offense for a period of one year before  
26           the date of the filing of a written application. The application must be accompanied by:  
27           a. Proof of financial responsibility and a report from an appropriate licensed  
28           addiction treatment program and, if prescribed, proof of compliance with  
29           attendance rules in an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program; or  
30           b. If the offender is participating in the drug court program or other court-ordered  
31           treatment or sobriety program, a recommendation from the district court.

- 1           4. For a temporary restricted license under subsection 3, the director may conduct a  
2           hearing for the purposes of obtaining information, reports, and evaluations from courts,  
3           law enforcement, and citizens to determine the offender's conduct and driving  
4           behavior during the prerequisite period of time. The director may require that an  
5           ignition interlock device be installed in the offender's vehicle and may require the  
6           applicant to submit proof of attendance at a driver training course approved by the  
7           director.
- 8           5. The director may not issue a temporary restricted license for a period of license  
9           revocation or suspension imposed under section 39-06-31. A temporary restricted  
10          license may be issued for suspensions ordered under subsection 4 of section  
11          39-06-32 if it could have been issued had the suspension resulted from in-state  
12          conduct.
- 13          6. a. In addition to any restrictions authorized under section 39-06-17, the director may  
14          impose any of the following conditions upon the use of a temporary restricted  
15          license issued under this section for the use of a motor vehicle by the offender:  
16               (1) To use during the licensee's normal working hours;  
17               (2) To use for attendance at an appropriate licensed addiction treatment  
18               program or a treatment program ordered by a court; or  
19               (3) To use as necessary to prevent the substantial deprivation of the  
20               educational, medical, or nutritional needs of the offender or an immediate  
21               family member of the offender.
- 22          b. Violation of a restriction imposed according to this section is deemed a violation  
23          of section 39-06-17.
- 24          7. If an offender has been charged with, or convicted of, a second or subsequent  
25          violation of section 39-08-01 or equivalent ordinance, or if the offender's license is  
26          subject to suspension under chapter 39-20 and the offender's operator's license is not  
27          subject to an unrelated suspension or revocation, the director shall issue a temporary  
28          restricted license to the offender upon the restriction the offender participate in the  
29          twenty-four seven sobriety program under chapter 54-12. The offender shall submit an  
30          application to the director for a temporary restricted license along with submission of

1 proof of financial responsibility and proof of participation in the twenty-four seven  
2 sobriety program to receive a temporary restricted license.  
3 8. If the director denies a temporary restricted license under subsections 3 or 7, or  
4 denies a request for a hearing under subsection 4, the applicant may appeal within  
5 thirty days after the date of the decision by filing a notice of appeal in the district court  
6 in the county where the applicant resides and by serving the notice of appeal on the  
7 director. On appeal the district court shall review the application de novo, and may  
8 authorize presentation of additional evidence.