

HOUSE BILL NO. 31

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING A PERSON FROM PROVIDING A MOTOR VEHICLE
5 TO AN UNLICENSED PERSON AND PROHIBITING AN UNLICENSED PERSON FROM RECEIVING A MOTOR
6 VEHICLE FROM ANOTHER PERSON; PROVIDING PENALTIES; AMENDING SECTION 61-5-306, MCA; AND
7 PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 **Section 1.** Section 61-5-306, MCA, is amended to read:
12 **"61-5-306. Renting ~~Providing~~ motor vehicle to another person without valid driver's license --**
13 **~~penalties.~~** (1) A person may not rent, sell, give, gift, loan, allow to borrow, or in any other manner provide a motor
14 vehicle to any other person unless the latter person is licensed under this chapter or, in the case of a nonresident,
15 licensed under the laws of the state or country of the person's residence except a nonresident whose home state
16 or country does not require that an operator be licensed.
17 (2) A person may not rent, sell, give, gift, loan, allow to borrow, or in any other manner provide a motor
18 vehicle to another until the person has inspected the driver's license of the proposed ~~renter~~ recipient of the motor
19 vehicle and compared and verified the signature on the license with the signature of the proposed ~~renter~~ recipient
20 written in the person's presence.
21 (3) A person may not rent, sell, give, gift, loan, allow to borrow, or in any other manner provide a
22 commercial motor vehicle to another until the person has inspected the driver's license of the proposed ~~renter~~
23 recipient and determined that the proposed ~~renter~~ recipient has a commercial driver's license.
24 (4) Every person renting, selling, giving, gifting, loaning, allowing to borrow, or in any other manner
25 providing a motor vehicle to another shall keep a record of the registration number of the motor vehicle ~~rented~~
26 provided, the name and address of the person to whom the vehicle is ~~rented~~ provided, and the number and
27 expiration date of the license of the ~~renter~~ recipient. The record is open to inspection by any police officer or
28 officer or employee of the department.
29 (5) A person may not receive a motor vehicle belonging to another person unless the person receiving
30 the motor vehicle is licensed as provided in subsection (1).

1 (6) A person who provides or receives a motor vehicle in violation of this section shall be punished by
2 a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both."

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4 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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