HOUSE BILL NO. 215 INTRODUCED BY J. BRUEGGEMAN BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT STANDARDIZING THE FEE FOR REINSTATEMENT OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR DRIVING PRIVILEGE AFTER SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION BY INCREASING THE FEE FOR REINSTATEMENT AFTER CERTAIN SUSPENSIONS OR REVOCATIONS FROM \$25 TO \$100; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-5-215 AND 61-5-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. License reinstatement fee following license suspension or revocation. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), a person whose driver's license or driving privilege has been suspended or revoked shall pay a reinstatement fee of \$100 to the department to have the driver's license or driving privilege reinstated.

(2) A person whose driver's license or driving privilege was suspended or revoked under 61-5-205 or 61-8-402 shall pay a reinstatement fee as required by 61-2-107. A driver's license or driving privilege that was suspended or revoked under 61-5-207 must be reinstated without payment of a reinstatement fee.

(3) The department shall deposit the fees collected under subsection (1) in the general fund.

Section 2. Section 61-5-215, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-5-215. Provisional licenses prohibited -- reinstatement fee. (1) No <u>A</u> provisional, restricted, or probationary license may <u>not</u> be issued upon a suspension under 61-5-214.

(2) A person whose license is suspended under 61-5-214 shall pay a reinstatement fee of \$25 to the court for deposit in the state general fund."

Section 3. Section 61-5-216, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-5-216. Reinstatement of license. Upon receipt of notification from the court that the operator has appeared, posted the bond, or paid the fine, costs, or restitution amounts and <u>if</u> the reinstatement fee <u>required</u> <u>under 61-2-107 or [section 1] has been paid</u>, the department shall immediately reinstate the license, unless the

operator otherwise is not entitled to reinstatement."

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 4. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 61, chapter 5, part 2, and the provisions of Title 61, chapter 5, part 2, apply to [section 1].

NEW SECTION. Section 5. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2003.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 6. Applicability. [This act] applies to the reinstatement of a driver's license or driving privilege that is suspended or revoked on or after July 1, 2003.

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