

1 _____ BILL NO. _____

2 INTRODUCED BY _____
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO DRIVING UNDER THE
5 INFLUENCE; IMPOSING THIRD PARTY LIABILITY ON OWNERS OF VEHICLES WHO PERMIT CERTAIN
6 OFFENDERS TO DRIVE; AND PROHIBITING CERTAIN OFFENDERS FROM REGISTERING VEHICLES."

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

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10 **NEW SECTION. Section 1. Liability of owner for damages by certain drivers with suspended or**
11 **revoked licenses.** (1) The owner of a vehicle is liable in the same manner that the driver would be for all damage
12 to persons or property done by a person while driving the vehicle:

13 (a) whose driver's license or privilege to drive is suspended, canceled, or revoked pursuant to
14 61-5-205(2)(a) or 61-5-208(2)(b); and

15 (b) who is operating the vehicle with the owner's permission.

16 (2) The trier of fact may reduce the owner's liability under subsection (1) if it is shown that the driver
17 completed the requirements of 61-8-732 after the imposition of those requirements but prior to the incident giving
18 rise to damages.

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20 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Driving under influence of alcohol or drugs -- registration of vehicle**
21 **prohibited.** A person whose driver's license or privilege to drive is suspended, canceled, or revoked pursuant
22 to 61-5-205(2)(a) for a second or subsequent time or pursuant to 61-5-208(2)(b)(ii) or (2)(b)(iii) may not register
23 a vehicle.

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25 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Codification instruction.** (1) [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an
26 integral part of Title 61, chapter 6, part 2, and the provisions of Title 61, chapter 6, part 2, apply to [section 1].

27 (2) [Section 2] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 61, chapter 8, part 7, and the
28 provisions of Title 61, chapter 8, part 7, apply to [section 2].

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