

HB 579

2008

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to ignition interlock devices; amending s.
 3 316.1937, F.S.; reducing the maximum permissible blood
 4 alcohol level at which an ignition interlock device will
 5 allow a vehicle to start; providing an effective date.

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 7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 316.1937, Florida
 10 Statutes, is amended to read:

11 316.1937 Ignition interlock devices, requiring; unlawful
 12 acts.--

13 (1) In addition to any other authorized penalties, the
 14 court may require that any person who is convicted of driving
 15 under the influence in violation of s. 316.193 shall not operate
 16 a motor vehicle unless that vehicle is equipped with a
 17 functioning ignition interlock device certified by the
 18 department as provided in s. 316.1938, and installed in such a
 19 manner that the vehicle will not start if the operator's blood
 20 alcohol level is in excess of 0.025 ~~0.05~~ percent or as otherwise
 21 specified by the court. The court may require the use of an
 22 approved ignition interlock device for a period of not less than
 23 6 months, if the person is permitted to operate a motor vehicle,
 24 whether or not the privilege to operate a motor vehicle is
 25 restricted, as determined by the court. The court, however,
 26 shall order placement of an ignition interlock device in those
 27 circumstances required by s. 316.193.

28 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2008.