

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to driver license reinstatement days;  
 3           creating s. 322.75, F.S.; requiring each judicial  
 4           circuit to establish a Driver License Reinstatement  
 5           Days program for reinstating suspended or revoked  
 6           driver licenses; requiring participation by certain  
 7           entities; providing event scheduling requirements;  
 8           authorizing waiver of certain fees; providing program  
 9           eligibility requirements; requiring clerks of court  
 10          and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
 11          Vehicles to verify any information necessary for  
 12          driver license reinstatement; providing an effective  
 13          date.

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 15   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 17           Section 1.   Section 322.75, Florida Statutes, is created to  
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19           322.75 Driver license reinstatement days.-  
 20           (1) Notwithstanding s. 322.05(5), each judicial circuit  
 21           shall establish a Driver License Reinstatement Days program for  
 22           reinstating suspended or revoked driver licenses. Participants  
 23           shall include the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
 24           Vehicles, the state attorney's office, the public defender's  
 25           office, the circuit and county courts, the clerk of court, and

26 any interested community organization.

27 (2) The clerk of court, in consultation with other  
28 participants, shall select one or more days per year for an  
29 event at which a person may have his or her driver license  
30 reinstated. A person must pay the full license reinstatement fee  
31 pursuant to s. 322.21(8); however, the clerk may reduce or waive  
32 other fees and costs to facilitate reinstatement.

33 (3) The clerk of court is encouraged to schedule at least  
34 one event on a weekday after 5:00 p.m. or on a Saturday or  
35 Sunday.

36 (4) (a) A person is eligible for driver license  
37 reinstatement under the program if his or her license is  
38 suspended or revoked due to:

39 1. Driving without a valid driver license;  
40 2. Driving with a suspended driver license;  
41 3. Failing to make a payment on penalties in collection;  
42 4. Failing to appear in court for a traffic violation; or  
43 5. Failing to comply with any provision of chapter 318 or  
44 this chapter.

45 (b) Notwithstanding paragraphs (5) (a)-(c), a person is  
46 eligible for driver license reinstatement under the program if  
47 the period of suspension or revocation has elapsed, the person  
48 has completed any required course or program as described in  
49 paragraph (5) (c), and the person is otherwise eligible for  
50 driver license reinstatement.

51           (5) A person is not eligible for driver license  
 52 reinstatement under the program if his or her driver license is  
 53 suspended or revoked:

54           (a) Because the person failed to fulfill a court-ordered  
 55 child support obligation;

56           (b) For a violation of s. 316.193;

57           (c) Because the person has not completed a driver training  
 58 program, driver improvement course, or alcohol or substance  
 59 abuse education or evaluation program required under s. 316.192,  
 60 s. 316.193, s. 322.2616, or s. 322.271;

61           (d) For a traffic-related felony; or

62           (e) Because the person is a habitual traffic offender  
 63 under s. 322.264.

64           (6) The clerk of court and the department shall verify any  
 65 information necessary for reinstatement of a driver license  
 66 under the program.

67           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.