

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1179  
(Representatives Roers Jones, Beadle, Boschee, Heinert)  
(Senators J. Lee, Oban, Rust)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 39-06.1-10 and section 39-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the issuance of temporary restricted licenses to operators participating in the twenty-four seven sobriety program.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 4 of section 39-06.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4. a. If the director is informed by a court that an individual has been convicted of violating section 39-08-01, or equivalent ordinance, the director, subject to the offender's opportunity for hearing under subsection 1, shall suspend that individual's operator's license until the offender furnishes to the director the written statement of the counselor or instructor of an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program that the offender does not require either an education or treatment program or that the offender has physically attended the prescribed program and has complied with the attendance rules. The director shall send notice to the offender informing the offender of the provisions of this subsection.
- b. If within the seven years preceding the most recent violation of section 39-08-01, or equivalent ordinance, the offender has previously violated section 39-08-01, or equivalent ordinance, at least three times, the driving privileges must be suspended and may be restored only after ~~that individual~~the offender has completed addiction treatment through an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program and has had no alcohol-related or drug-related offense for two consecutive years after completion of treatment. The offender must receive a temporary restricted license during the suspension period, in accordance with section 39-06.1-11.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**39-06.1-11. Temporary restricted license - Ignition interlock device.**

1. Except as provided under subsection 2 or 3, if the director has suspended a license under section 39-06.1-10 or has extended a suspension or revocation under section 39-06-43, upon receiving written application from the offender affected, the director may for good cause issue a temporary restricted operator's license valid for the remainder of the suspension period after seven days of the suspension period have passed.
2. If the director has suspended a license under chapter 39-20, or after a violation of section 39-08-01 or equivalent ordinance, upon written application of the offender the director may issue a temporary restricted license that takes effect after thirty days of the suspension have been served after a first offense under section 39-08-01 or chapter 39-20, but if the offender is participating in the twenty-four seven sobriety program under chapter 54-12, the director ~~may~~shall issue a temporary restricted license that takes effect after fourteen days of the suspension have been served if the driver is not subject to any unrelated suspension or revocation.
3. ~~The director may not issue a temporary restricted license to any offender whose operator's license has been revoked under section 39-20-04 or suspended upon a second or subsequent~~

~~offense under section 39-08-01 or chapter 39-20, except that a~~ A temporary restricted license ~~may~~must be issued in accordance with subsection 7 if the offender is participating in and compliant with the twenty-four seven sobriety program under chapter 54-12 or if the offender has not committed an offense for a period of one year before the date of the filing of a written application. The application must be accompanied by:

- a. Proof of financial responsibility and a report from an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program and, if prescribed, proof of compliance with attendance rules in an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program; or
  - b. If the offender is participating in the drug court program or other court-ordered treatment or sobriety program, a recommendation from the district court.
4. For a temporary restricted license under subsection 3, the director may conduct a hearing for the purposes of obtaining information, reports, and evaluations from courts, law enforcement, and citizens to determine the offender's conduct and driving behavior during the prerequisite period of time. The director may require that an ignition interlock device be installed in the offender's vehicle and may require the applicant to submit proof of attendance at a driver training course approved by the director. The director may impose additional conditions as reasonably necessary to ensure compliance.
5. The director may not issue a temporary restricted license for a period of license revocation or suspension imposed under section 39-06-31. A temporary restricted license may be issued for suspensions ordered under subsection 4 of section 39-06-32 if it could have been issued had the suspension resulted from in-state conduct.
6. a. In addition to any restrictions authorized under section 39-06-17, the director may impose any of the following conditions upon the use of a temporary restricted license issued under this section for the use of a motor vehicle by the offender:
- (1) To use during the licensee's normal working hours;
  - (2) To use for attendance at an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program or a treatment program ordered by a court; or
  - (3) To use as necessary to prevent the substantial deprivation of the educational, medical, or nutritional needs of the offender or an immediate family member of the offender.
- b. Violation of a restriction imposed according to this section is deemed a violation of section 39-06-17.
- c. This section does not limit the director's authority to cancel a temporary restricted license for good cause.
7. If an offender has been charged with, or convicted of, a second or subsequent violation of section 39-08-01 or equivalent ordinance, or if the offender's license is subject to suspension under chapter 39-20 and the offender's operator's license is not subject to an unrelated suspension or revocation, the director shall issue a temporary restricted license to the offender upon the restriction the offender participate in the twenty-four seven sobriety program under chapter 54-12. The offender shall submit an application to the director for a temporary restricted license along with submission of proof of financial responsibility and proof of participation in the twenty-four seven sobriety program to receive a temporary restricted license.
8. If the director denies a temporary restricted license under this section, or denies a request for a hearing under subsection 4, the applicant may appeal within thirty days after the date of the decision by filing a notice of appeal in the district court in the county where the applicant

resides and by serving the notice of appeal on the director. On appeal the district court shall review the application and may authorize presentation of additional evidence.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1179.

House Vote:    Yeas 86            Nays 1            Absent 7

Senate Vote:    Yeas 46            Nays 0            Absent 1

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Governor

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Secretary of State