

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: WD 05/01/2017 House

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The Committee on Appropriations (Gainer) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1727 and 1728

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Section 36. Section 322.161, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.161 High-risk drivers; restricted licenses.-

(1) This section may be cited as the "Brittany Baxter Act."

(2)(1)(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the department shall restrict the driving privilege of

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11 any Class E licensee who is age 15 through 17 and who has 12 accumulated six or more points pursuant to s. 318.14, excluding 13 parking violations, within <u>an 18-month</u> a 12-month period.

14 (b) Upon determination that any person has accumulated seven six or more points, the department shall notify the 15 16 licensee and issue the licensee a restricted license for 17 business purposes only. The licensee must appear before the 18 department within 10 days after notification to have this 19 restriction applied. The period of restriction shall be for a 20 period of no less than 1 year 30 days beginning on the date it 21 is applied by the department. During the period of restriction, 22 the licensee must complete a 12-hour approved advanced driver 23 improvement course and receive 4 hours of behind-the-wheel 24 training from a Florida licensed commercial driving school. 25 Successful completion of a behind-the-wheel examination is 26 required in order to receive completion credit for the course.

27 (c) The restriction shall be automatically withdrawn by the 28 department after 1 year if the licensee has completed such 29 driver improvement course approved by the department and does 30 not accumulate any additional points. If the licensee has not 31 completed the course requirement, the period of restriction 32 shall be extended until such time as the licensee completes the 33 course requirement. If the licensee accumulates any additional 34 points, then the period of restriction shall be extended for at 35 least 90 days and up to one year for each point. The restriction 36 shall also be automatically withdrawn upon the licensee's 18th 37 birthday if no other grounds for restriction exist. The licensee 38 must appear before the department to have the restriction 39 removed and a duplicate license issued.

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40	(3) (2) Any action taken by the department pursuant to this
41	section shall not be subject to any formal or informal
42	administrative hearing or similar administrative procedure.
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44	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
45	And the title is amended as follows:
46	Between lines 214 and 215
47	insert:
48	322.161; providing a short title; revising the period
49	of time in which certain licensees may accumulate
50	points before being issued a restricted driver license
51	by the department; requiring restricted licensees to
52	attend a driver improvement course approved by the
53	department; providing for extension of the restriction
54	period under certain circumstances;