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SENATE BILL 801

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO DRIVING WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR OR DRUGS; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL SIGNS ON CARS AND TRUCKS FOR ALL THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENDERS AND A PENALTY FOR REMOVAL; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE CODE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] SPECIAL SIGNS ON CARS FOR ALL THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENDERS--PENALTY FOR REMOVAL. --

A. After a third or subsequent conviction pursuant to Section 66-8-102 NMSA 1978, the offender shall not drive a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, on the highways of this state unless there is a sign on the roof of the vehicle, as specified in Subsection B of this section.

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B. Beginning with the reinstatement of the offender's driver's license, and continuing for a period of one year from that date, the offender shall place on any vehicle he drives a sign that reads substantially as follows: "I am a convicted drunk driver". The offender's driver's license shall indicate the period of time during which the offender is required to place the sign on any vehicle he drives.

C. The department shall provide the public with the signs referred to in Subsection A of this section at a fair price, pursuant to regulations adopted by the department.

D. A person convicted of a violation of Subsection A of this section shall be sentenced to a period of imprisonment for thirty days, and the sentence shall not be deferred, suspended or taken under advisement. "

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 1997.

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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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13 has had it under consideration and reports same WITHOUT
14 RECOMMENDATION, and thence referred to the JUDICIARY
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The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

No: 0

Excused: Ingle, Vernon

Absent: None

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