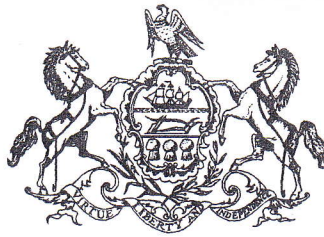


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DATE: November 7, 2011

SUBJECT: Legislation Impounding Any Vehicle Being Operated by an Individual with Suspended Driving Privileges

In the near future, I intend to introduce legislation amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to impound any vehicle being operated by an individual with a suspended driver's license.

Operating a motor vehicle is a privilege that must be earned and maintained by demonstrating safe and lawful driving. Under my proposal, individuals who have lost their driving privileges, but are caught driving with a suspended license, will automatically have their car impounded.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, states including Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, Mississippi, Oregon, Virginia and Washington all have laws permitting impoundment for impaired driving offenses; however, I believe that Pennsylvania should have a law that permits impoundment for any reason if a person is caught driving with a suspended license.

Should you wish to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Sandy Mutzabaugh in my office at 787-3589 or smutzaba@pahouse.net.