HOUSE BILL No. 6068

September 19, 1990, Introduced by Rep. Dolan and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend sections 904 and 904b of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended

"Michigan vehicle code,"

section 904 as amended by Act No. 346 of the Public Acts of 1988, being sections 257.904 and 257.904b of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Sections 904 and 904b of Act No. 300 of the
- 2 Public Acts of 1949, section 904 as amended by Act No. 346 of the
- 3 Public Acts of 1988, being sections 257.904 and 257.904b of the
- 4 Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 904. (1) A person whose operator's or chauffeur's
- 6 license or registration certificate has been suspended or revoked
- 7 and who has been notified as provided in section 212 of that
- 8 suspension or revocation, or whose application for license has

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- 1 been denied, as provided in this act, or who has never applied
- 2 for a license, and who operates a motor vehicle upon the highways
- 3 of this state or who knowingly permits a motor vehicle owned by
- 4 the person to be operated by another upon a highway, except as
- 5 permitted under this act, while the license or registration cer-
- 6 tificate is suspended or revoked, or whose application for
- 7 license has been denied, as provided in this act, is guilty of a
- 8 misdemeanor, punishable, except as provided in subsections -(2)
- 9 (3) and -(3) (4), by 1 OR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 10 (A) EITHER imprisonment for not less than 3 days -nor OR
- 11 more than 90 days or a OR COMMUNITY SERVICE AS DESIGNATED BY
- 12 THE COURT FOR NOT MORE THAN 24 HOURS, WITH THE COSTS ASSOCIATED
- 13 WITH THE COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSESSED.
- 14 (B) A fine of not more than \$500.00. \$100.00, or both.
- (2) Unless the vehicle was stolen or used with the permis-
- 16 sion of a person who did not knowingly permit an unlicensed
- 17 driver to operate the vehicle, the registration plates of the
- 18 vehicle USED IN VIOLATING SUBSECTION (1) shall be confiscated.
- (3) -(2) A person whose operator's or chauffeur's license
- 20 has been suspended under section 321a because that person has
- 21 failed to answer a citation or has failed to comply with an order
- 22 or judgment issued pursuant to section 907 and who operates a
- 23 motor vehicle upon a highway, may be punished by imprisonment for
- 24 not more than 90 days, or a fine of not more than \$100.00, or
- 25 both.

- (4) -(3)- A person convicted of a second or subsequent
 violation of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable
 by 1 OR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 (A) EITHER imprisonment for not less than 5 days nor OR
 5 more than 1 year nor a OR COMMUNITY SERVICE AS DESIGNATED BY
 6 THE COURT FOR NOT MORE THAN 48 HOURS, WITH THE COSTS ASSOCIATED
 7 WITH THE COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSESSED.
- 8 (B) A fine of not more than \$1,000.00. -\$500.00, or both.
- 9 (5) Unless the vehicle was stolen, the registration plates
 10 of the vehicle USED IN VIOLATING SUBSECTION (4) shall be
 11 confiscated.
- (6) —(4)— The secretary of state, upon receiving a record of the conviction or probate court finding of a person upon a charge of unlawful operation of a motor vehicle while the license of the person is suspended, revoked, or denied, or of the conviction, if civil infraction determination, or probate court finding of a person for a violation of the motor vehicle laws of this state while the license of the person is suspended, revoked, or denied, immediately shall extend the period of the first suspension or revocation for an additional like period or, if a period has not been determined, then for not less than 30 days or OR more 22 than 1 year.
- (7) -(5) The secretary of state, upon receiving a record of the conviction, bond forfeiture, or a civil infraction determination of a person upon a charge of unlawful operation of a motor vehicle requiring a class 1, class 2, or class 3 indorsement or vehicle group designation while the indorsement or designation is

- 1 suspended pursuant to section 319a or 319b, immediately shall
- 2 extend the period of suspension for an additional like period.
- 3 This subsection -shall apply APPLIES to a person who operates a
- 4 commercial vehicle while disqualified under title XII of Public
- 5 Law 99-570, 100 Stat. 3207.
- 6 (8) -(6) Before the plea of the person is accepted under
- 7 this section, the arresting officer shall check with the secre-
- 8 tary of state to determine the record and status of the person
- 9 according to the records of the secretary of state and -so SHALL
- 10 inform the court OF THAT RECORD AND STATUS.
- 11 (9) -(7) This section shall DOES not apply to a person
- 12 who operates a vehicle solely for the purpose of protecting human
- 13 life or property, if the life or property is endangered and the
- 14 summoning of prompt aid is essential.
- 15 Sec. 904b. When IF a person is convicted of an offense
- 16 specified in subsections (a) or (b) of section 904 904(1) OR
- 17 (4), a motor vehicle owned in whole or in part by -him THE
- 18 PERSON shall be ordered impounded for not less than 30 -nor- OR
- 19 more than 120 days from the date of judgment. The order of
- 20 impoundment shall be IS valid throughout the state and any
- 21 peace officer is authorized to MAY execute the impoundment
- 22 order. The order shall include the implied consent of the
- 23 VEHICLE owner of the vehicle to the storage for insurance
- 24 coverage purposes. The owner is liable for expenses incurred in
- 25 the removal and storage of the vehicle whether or not the vehicle
- 26 is returned to him THE OWNER. The vehicle shall be returned to
- 27 -him THE OWNER only upon payment of such expenses. If

- 1 redemption is not made or the vehicle is not returned, as
- 2 provided in this section, within 30 days after the time set for
- 3 return of the vehicle in the impounding order, the vehicle shall
- 4 be deemed an IS CONSIDERED abandoned -vehicle and SHALL BE dis-
- 5 posed of as provided in section 252. Nothing in this section
- 6 affects the rights of a conditional vendor, chattel mortgagee, or
- 7 lessor of a motor vehicle registered in the name of another as
- 8 owner who becomes subject to the provisions of this act.