

## General Assembly

## Proposed Bill No. 597

January Session, 2021



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by: SEN. FLEXER, 29th Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OF MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS' LICENSES FOR FAILURE TO PAY FINES OR FEES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 14-140 of the general statutes be amended to eliminate
- 2 the duty of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to suspend the
- 3 operator's license of any person for failure to pay any fines, fees or other
- 4 charges associated with a motor vehicle violation.

## Statement of Purpose:

To eliminate the duty of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to suspend a motor vehicle operator's license for failure to pay any fine or fee associated with a motor vehicle violation as the suspension unfairly punishes residents for unpaid debts and creates a self-defeating vicious cycle exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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