

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 1795
Version:	Committee Substitute
Request Number:	7441
Author:	Rep. Miller
Date:	3/9/2021
Impact: ODOT: Impact to leveraging federal dollars.	
Courts: \$0	

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 1795 creates the Christopher Hopper Act. The measure modifies the period of driver license revocation for persons under the age of 18 who have committed any crime, violation, infraction, traffic offense involving alcohol or controlled substance. The measure provides that the Department may cancel or deny driving privileges for up to six months for the first offense or up to one year for a subsequent offense. A person under the age of 20 may have their driver license cancelled or denied for the same time periods for driving under the influence. The measure clarifies that if a person petitions the district court for relief from the cancellation or denial of driving privileges, the petitioner is responsible for his or her attorney fees. The measure clarifies the procedures to be used when filing a petition for relief based upon error or hardship. The measure provides that when the Department of Public Safety receives a report of a conviction in another state relating to the operation of a motor vehicle, may in its discretion suspend the driving privilege of the person. The measure provides that any person who can demonstrate enrollment in a federal or state assistance program including but not limited to Social Security or the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program is to be granted a modified payment plan upon request. The measure modifies the eligibility for a provisional license and lowers the minimum that a person must pay toward outstanding fees and costs from \$25 per month to \$5 per month.

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Fiscal Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for HB 1795 designates the measure as the “Christopher Hopper Act”. No other changes are made to the introduced version.

The measure is determined to have an impact on the Department of Transportation. The provisions of the measure may invoke the withholding of federal highway funds pursuant to 23 USC § 159. ODOT is currently analyzing the bill for a more detailed impact.

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Other Considerations

None.

