

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law authorizes the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C), office of motor vehicles (OMV), to suspend, cancel, or revoke driver's licenses for cause satisfactory to the dept. for a period of not more than one year.

New law retains existing law and requires that any license suspended, cancelled, or revoked for nonpayment of fees be automatically reinstated if both of the following occur:

- (1) The person makes full payment of all fees and fines assessed by the DPS&C, OMV, that resulted in the suspension, cancellation, and revocation of the license.
- (2) The person provides proof of payment of any fees or fines pursuant to the requirements of existing law.

New law provides for an exception that the new law not apply to a person whose driver's license is suspended, cancelled, or revoked for operating a vehicle while impaired.

Existing law requires any period of suspension or revocation be automatically extended for a period of one year from the date the licensee would otherwise have been entitled to apply for a new license upon his conviction for any offense involving the operation of a motor vehicle committed during the period. Further requires that no driver can use a license issued to him in another state or the privilege of a nonresident to drive a vehicle in this state, upon receiving notice of his conviction, or of the entry of a plea of guilty and sentence, or of the forfeiture of bail in another state of federal jurisdiction for any offense, which if committed in this state, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of the license.

New law retains existing law and requires that any license suspended, cancelled, or revoked for nonpayment of fees for operating a vehicle while a license is suspended be automatically reinstated if both of the following occur:

- (1) The person makes full payment of all fees and fines assessed by the DPS&C, OMV, that resulted in the suspension, cancellation, and revocation of the license.
- (2) The person provides proof of payment of any fees or fines pursuant to the requirements of existing law.

Further provides for an exception that new law not apply to a person whose driver's license is suspended, cancelled, or revoked for operating a vehicle while impaired.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 32:414(F)(2) and 415(B)(1))