RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 124 (HB 232)

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<u>Existing law</u> relative to misdemeanor convictions, provides that dismissal of prosecution shall have the same effect as an acquittal, except that the conviction may be considered as a prior offense and provide the basis for subsequent prosecution of the party as a multiple offender.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that such discharge and dismissal may occur only once with respect to any person during a five-year period.

<u>New law</u> removes the restriction that discharge and dismissal may occur only once with respect to any person during a five-year period.

<u>Existing law</u> also provides that dismissal for the offense of operating a vehicle while intoxicated may occur only once with respect to any person during a 10-year period.

<u>New law</u> adds that discharge under <u>existing law</u> for the offense of operating a vehicle while intoxicated may occur only once with respect to any person during a 10-year period.

Effective August 1, 2021.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Art. 894(B)(2))