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Representative A. Cory Maloy proposes the following substitute bill:

### DRIVER LICENSE SUSPENSION AMENDMENTS

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: A. Cory Maloy**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### LONG TITLE

##### General Description:

This bill amends provisions related to suspension of an individual's driver license.

##### Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines a term;
- ▶ prohibits the suspension of an individual's driver license by the Driver License

Division based solely on:

- the individual's failure to pay certain fines; or
- the issuance of a bench warrant issued as a result of the individual's failure to appear or pay certain fines;

~~allows a court to try in absentia certain individuals charged with certain violations who fail to make a court appearance;~~

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- ‡ ▶ prohibits a court from ordering a driver license suspension or revocation under certain circumstances; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

### Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

### Other Special Clauses:

None

### Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

**41-6a-509**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 446

**41-6a-517**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Third Special Session, Chapter 1

**41-6a-1715**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 416

**53-3-102**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 426 and 459

**53-3-218**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 121

**53-3-221**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 52

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **41-6a-509** is amended to read:

**41-6a-509. Driver license suspension or revocation for a driving under the influence violation.**

(1) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 21 years of age or older at the time of arrest:

(a) suspend for a period of 120 days the operator's license of a person convicted for the first time under Section 41-6a-502 of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2009; or

(b) revoke for a period of two years the license of a person if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

(ii) the current driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 is

committed:

(A) within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation; and

(B) on or after July 1, 2009.

(2) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 19 years of age or older but

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under 21 years of age at the time of arrest:

(a) suspend the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of one year, whichever is longer, if the person is convicted for the first time of a driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 of an offense that was committed on or after July 1, 2011;

(b) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of one year, whichever is longer, if the person:

(i) is convicted for the first time of a driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2011; and

(ii) has not been issued an operator license;

(c) revoke the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer, if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

(ii) the current driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation; or

(d) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer, if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2);

(ii) the current driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation; and

(iii) the person has not been issued an operator license.

(3) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is under 19 years of age at the time of arrest:

(a) suspend the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age if the person is convicted for the first time of a driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 of an offense that was committed on or after July 1, 2009;

(b) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21 years of age if the person:

(i) is convicted for the first time of a driving under the influence violation under

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Section 41-6a-502 of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2009; and

(ii) has not been issued an operator license;

(c) revoke the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

(ii) the current driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation; or

(d) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21 years of age if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2);

(ii) the current driving under the influence violation under Section 41-6a-502 is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation; and

(iii) the person has not been issued an operator license.

(4) The Driver License Division shall suspend or revoke the license of a person as ordered by the court under Subsection (10).

(5) The Driver License Division shall:

(a) deny, suspend, or revoke the operator's license of a person convicted under Section 41-6a-502 of an offense that was committed prior to July 1, 2009, for the denial, suspension, or revocation periods in effect prior to July 1, 2009; or

(b) deny, suspend, or revoke the operator's license of a person for the denial, suspension, or revocation periods in effect from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, if:

(i) the person was 20 years of age or older but under 21 years of age at the time of arrest; and

(ii) the conviction under Section 41-6a-502 is for an offense that was committed on or after July 1, 2009, and prior to July 1, 2011.

(6) The Driver License Division shall subtract from any suspension or revocation period the number of days for which a license was previously suspended under Section 53-3-223 or 53-3-231, if the previous suspension was based on the same occurrence upon which the record of conviction is based.

(7) If a conviction recorded as impaired driving is amended to a driving under the

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influence conviction under Section 41-6a-502 in accordance with Subsection 41-6a-502.5(3)(a)(ii), the Driver License Division:

(a) may not subtract from any suspension or revocation any time for which a license was previously suspended or revoked under Section 53-3-223 or 53-3-231; and

(b) shall start the suspension or revocation time under Subsection (1) on the date of the amended conviction.

(8) A court that reported a conviction of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 for a violation that occurred on or after July 1, 2009, to the Driver License Division may shorten the suspension period imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b) prior to completion of the suspension period if the person:

(a) completes at least six months of the license suspension;

(b) completes a screening;

(c) completes an assessment, if it is found appropriate by a screening under Subsection (8)(b);

(d) completes substance abuse treatment if it is found appropriate by the assessment under Subsection (8)(c);

(e) completes an educational series if substance abuse treatment is not required by an assessment under Subsection (8)(c) or the court does not order substance abuse treatment;

(f) has not been convicted of a violation of any motor vehicle law in which the person was involved as the operator of the vehicle during the suspension period imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b);

(g) has complied with all the terms of the person's probation or all orders of the court if not ordered to probation; and

(h) (i) is 18 years of age or older and provides a sworn statement to the court that the person has not unlawfully consumed alcohol during the suspension period imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b); or

(ii) is under 18 years of age and has the person's parent or legal guardian provide an affidavit or sworn statement to the court certifying that to the parent or legal guardian's knowledge the person has not unlawfully consumed alcohol during the suspension period imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b).

(9) If the court shortens a person's license suspension period in accordance with the

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requirements of Subsection (8), the court shall forward the order shortening the person's suspension period prior to the completion of the suspension period imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b) to the Driver License Division.

(10) (a) (i) In addition to any other penalties provided in this section, a court may order the operator's license of a person who is convicted of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 to be suspended or revoked for an additional period of 90 days, 120 days, 180 days, one year, or two years to remove from the highways those persons who have shown they are safety hazards.

(ii) The additional suspension or revocation period provided in this Subsection (10) shall begin the date on which the individual would be eligible to reinstate the individual's driving privilege for a violation of Section 41-6a-502.

(b) If the court suspends or revokes the person's license under this Subsection (10), the court shall prepare and send to the Driver License Division an order to suspend or revoke that person's driving privileges for a specified period of time.

(11) (a) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to:

(i) complete all court ordered:

(A) screening;

(B) assessment;

(C) educational series;

(D) substance abuse treatment; and

(E) hours of work in a compensatory-service work program; or

(ii) pay all fines and fees, including fees for restitution and treatment costs.

(b) [~~Upon~~] Subject to Subsection 53-3-218(3), upon receiving the notification described in Subsection (11)(a), the division shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance [~~with Subsections 53-3-221(2) and (3)] Subsection 53-3-221(2).~~

(12) (a) A court that reported a conviction of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 to the Driver License Division may shorten the suspension period imposed under Subsection (1) before completion of the suspension period if the person is participating in or has successfully completed a 24-7 sobriety program as defined in Section 41-6a-515.5.

(b) If the court shortens a person's license suspension period in accordance with the requirements of this Subsection (12), the court shall forward to the Driver License Division the order shortening the person's suspension period.

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(c) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to complete all requirements of a 24-7 sobriety program.

(d) ~~Upon~~ Subject to Subsection 53-3-218(3), upon receiving the notification described in Subsection (12)(c), the division shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance with ~~[Subsections 53-3-221(2) and (3)]~~ Subsection 53-3-221(2).

Section 2. Section **41-6a-517** is amended to read:

**41-6a-517. Definitions -- Driving with any measurable controlled substance in the body -- Penalties -- Arrest without warrant.**

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Controlled substance" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-37-2.

(b) "Practitioner" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-37-2.

(c) "Prescribe" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-37-2.

(d) "Prescription" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-37-2.

(2) In cases not amounting to a violation of Section 41-6a-502, a person may not operate or be in actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state if the person has any measurable controlled substance or metabolite of a controlled substance in the person's body.

(3) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the controlled substance was:

(a) involuntarily ingested by the accused;

(b) prescribed by a practitioner for use by the accused;

(c) cannabis in a medicinal dosage form or a cannabis product in a medicinal dosage form that the accused ingested in accordance with Title 26, Chapter 61a, Utah Medical Cannabis Act; or

(d) otherwise legally ingested.

(4) (a) A person convicted of a violation of Subsection (2) is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

(b) A person who violates this section is subject to conviction and sentencing under both this section and any applicable offense under Section 58-37-8.

(5) A peace officer may, without a warrant, arrest a person for a violation of this section when the officer has probable cause to believe the violation has occurred, although not in the officer's presence, and if the officer has probable cause to believe that the violation was

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committed by the person.

(6) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 21 years of age or older on the date of arrest:

(a) suspend, for a period of 120 days, the driver license of a person convicted under Subsection (2) of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2009; or

(b) revoke, for a period of two years, the driver license of a person if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

(ii) the current violation under Subsection (2) is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years after the date of the prior violation.

(7) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 19 years of age or older but under 21 years of age on the date of arrest:

(a) suspend, until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of one year, whichever is longer, the driver license of a person convicted under Subsection (2) of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2011; or

(b) revoke, until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer, the driver license of a person if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

(ii) the current violation under Subsection (2) is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years after the date of the prior violation.

(8) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is under 19 years of age on the date of arrest:

(a) suspend, until the person is 21 years of age, the driver license of a person convicted under Subsection (2) of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2009; or

(b) revoke, until the person is 21 years of age, the driver license of a person if:

(i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

(ii) the current violation under Subsection (2) is committed on or after July 1, 2009, and within a period of 10 years after the date of the prior violation.

(9) The Driver License Division shall subtract from any suspension or revocation period the number of days for which a license was previously suspended under Section 53-3-223 or 53-3-231, if the previous suspension was based on the same occurrence upon which the record of conviction is based.

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(10) The Driver License Division shall:

(a) deny, suspend, or revoke a person's license for the denial and suspension periods in effect prior to July 1, 2009, for a conviction of a violation under Subsection (2) that was committed prior to July 1, 2009; or

(b) deny, suspend, or revoke the operator's license of a person for the denial, suspension, or revocation periods in effect from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, if:

(i) the person was 20 years of age or older but under 21 years of age at the time of arrest; and

(ii) the conviction under Subsection (2) is for an offense that was committed on or after July 1, 2009, and prior to July 1, 2011.

(11) A court that reported a conviction of a violation of this section for a violation that occurred on or after July 1, 2009, to the Driver License Division may shorten the suspension period imposed under Subsection (7)(a) or (8)(a) prior to completion of the suspension period if the person:

(a) completes at least six months of the license suspension;

(b) completes a screening;

(c) completes an assessment, if it is found appropriate by a screening under Subsection (11)(b);

(d) completes substance abuse treatment if it is found appropriate by the assessment under Subsection (11)(c);

(e) completes an educational series if substance abuse treatment is not required by the assessment under Subsection (11)(c) or the court does not order substance abuse treatment;

(f) has not been convicted of a violation of any motor vehicle law in which the person was involved as the operator of the vehicle during the suspension period imposed under Subsection (7)(a) or (8)(a);

(g) has complied with all the terms of the person's probation or all orders of the court if not ordered to probation; and

(h) (i) is 18 years of age or older and provides a sworn statement to the court that the person has not consumed a controlled substance not prescribed by a practitioner for use by the person or unlawfully consumed alcohol during the suspension period imposed under Subsection (7)(a) or (8)(a); or

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(ii) is under 18 years of age and has the person's parent or legal guardian provide an affidavit or other sworn statement to the court certifying that to the parent or legal guardian's knowledge the person has not consumed a controlled substance not prescribed by a practitioner for use by the person or unlawfully consumed alcohol during the suspension period imposed under Subsection (7)(a) or (8)(a).

(12) If the court shortens a person's license suspension period in accordance with the requirements of Subsection (11), the court shall forward the order shortening the person's license suspension period prior to the completion of the suspension period imposed under Subsection (7)(a) or (8)(a) to the Driver License Division.

(13) (a) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to:

(i) complete all court ordered screening and assessment, educational series, and substance abuse treatment; or

(ii) pay all fines and fees, including fees for restitution and treatment costs.

(b) [~~Upon~~] Subject to Subsection 53-3-218(3), upon receiving the notification, the division shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance with [~~Subsections 53-3-221(2) and (3)~~] Subsection 53-3-221(2).

(14) The court:

(a) shall order supervised probation in accordance with Section 41-6a-507 for a person convicted under Subsection (2); and

(b) may order a person convicted under Subsection (2) to participate in a 24-7 sobriety program as defined in Section 41-6a-515.5 if the person is 21 years of age or older.

(15) (a) A court that reported a conviction of a violation of this section to the Driver License Division may shorten the suspension period imposed under Subsection (6) before completion of the suspension period if the person is participating in or has successfully completed a 24-7 sobriety program as defined in Section 41-6a-515.5.

(b) If the court shortens a person's license suspension period in accordance with the requirements of this Subsection (15), the court shall forward to the Driver License Division the order shortening the person's suspension period.

(c) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to complete all requirements of a 24-7 sobriety program.

(d) [~~Upon~~] Subject to Subsection 53-3-218(3), upon receiving the notification

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described in Subsection (15)(c), the division shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance with [~~Subsections 53-3-221(2) and (3)~~] Subsection 53-3-221(2).

Section 3. Section **41-6a-1715** is amended to read:

### **41-6a-1715. Careless driving defined and prohibited.**

(1) A person operating a motor vehicle is guilty of careless driving if the person:

(a) commits two or more moving traffic violations under this chapter in a series of acts within a single continuous period of driving covering three miles or less in total distance; or

(b) commits a moving traffic violation under this chapter other than a moving traffic violation under Part 6, Speed Restrictions, while being distracted by one or more activities taking place within the vehicle that are not related to the operation of a motor vehicle, including:

(i) searching for an item in the vehicle; or

(ii) attending to personal hygiene or grooming.

(2) A violation of this section is a class C misdemeanor.

(3) In addition to the penalty provided under this section or any other section, a judge may order the revocation of the convicted person's driver license if the violation causes or results in the death of another person in accordance with Subsection 53-3-218~~[(6)]~~(7).

Section 4. Section **53-3-102** is amended to read:

### **53-3-102. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

(1) "Autocycle" means a motor vehicle that:

(a) is designed to travel with three or fewer wheels in contact with the ground;

(b) is equipped with a steering wheel; and

(c) is equipped with seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride the vehicle.

(2) "Cancellation" means the termination by the division of a license issued through error or fraud or for which consent under Section 53-3-211 has been withdrawn.

(3) "Class D license" means the class of license issued to drive motor vehicles not defined as commercial motor vehicles or motorcycles under this chapter.

(4) "Commercial driver instruction permit" or "CDIP" means a commercial learner permit:

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(a) issued under Section 53-3-408; or

(b) issued by a state or other jurisdiction of domicile in compliance with the standards contained in 49 C.F.R. Part 383.

(5) "Commercial driver license" or "CDL" means a license:

(a) issued substantially in accordance with the requirements of Title XII, Pub. L. 99-570, the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986, and in accordance with Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act, which authorizes the holder to drive a class of commercial motor vehicle; and

(b) that was obtained by providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States with one of the document requirements described in Subsection 53-3-410(1)(i)(i).

(6) (a) "Commercial driver license motor vehicle record" or "CDL MVR" means a driving record that:

(i) applies to a person who holds or is required to hold a commercial driver instruction permit or a CDL license; and

(ii) contains the following:

(A) information contained in the driver history, including convictions, pleas held in abeyance, disqualifications, and other licensing actions for violations of any state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control, committed in any type of vehicle;

(B) driver self-certification status information under Section 53-3-410.1; and

(C) information from medical certification record keeping in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Sec. 383.73(o).

(b) "Commercial driver license motor vehicle record" or "CDL MVR" does not mean a motor vehicle record described in Subsection (30).

(7) (a) "Commercial motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicles designed or used to transport passengers or property if the motor vehicle:

(i) has a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds or a lesser rating as determined by federal regulation;

(ii) is designed to transport 16 or more passengers, including the driver; or

(iii) is transporting hazardous materials and is required to be placarded in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Part 172, Subpart F.

(b) The following vehicles are not considered a commercial motor vehicle for purposes

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of Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act:

(i) equipment owned and operated by the United States Department of Defense when driven by any active duty military personnel and members of the reserves and national guard on active duty including personnel on full-time national guard duty, personnel on part-time training, and national guard military technicians and civilians who are required to wear military uniforms and are subject to the code of military justice;

(ii) vehicles controlled and driven by a farmer to transport agricultural products, farm machinery, or farm supplies to or from a farm within 150 miles of his farm but not in operation as a motor carrier for hire;

(iii) firefighting and emergency vehicles;

(iv) recreational vehicles that are not used in commerce and are driven solely as family or personal conveyances for recreational purposes; and

(v) vehicles used to provide transportation network services, as defined in Section 13-51-102.

(8) "Conviction" means any of the following:

(a) an unvacated adjudication of guilt or a determination that a person has violated or failed to comply with the law in a court of original jurisdiction or an administrative proceeding;

(b) an unvacated forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to secure a person's appearance in court;

(c) a plea of guilty or nolo contendere accepted by the court;

(d) the payment of a fine or court costs; or

(e) violation of a condition of release without bail, regardless of whether the penalty is rebated, suspended, or probated.

(9) "Denial" or "denied" means the withdrawal of a driving privilege by the division to which the provisions of Title 41, Chapter 12a, Part 4, Proof of Owner's or Operator's Security, do not apply.

(10) "Director" means the division director appointed under Section 53-3-103.

(11) "Disqualification" means either:

(a) the suspension, revocation, cancellation, denial, or any other withdrawal by a state of a person's privileges to drive a commercial motor vehicle;

(b) a determination by the Federal Highway Administration, under 49 C.F.R. Part 386,

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that a person is no longer qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle under 49 C.F.R. Part 391; or

(c) the loss of qualification that automatically follows conviction of an offense listed in 49 C.F.R. Part 383.51.

(12) "Division" means the Driver License Division of the department created in Section 53-3-103.

(13) "Downgrade" means to obtain a lower license class than what was originally issued during an existing license cycle.

(14) "Drive" means:

(a) to operate or be in physical control of a motor vehicle upon a highway; and

(b) in Subsections 53-3-414(1) through (3), Subsection 53-3-414(5), and Sections 53-3-417 and 53-3-418, the operation or physical control of a motor vehicle at any place within the state.

(15) (a) "Driver" means an individual who drives, or is in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in any location open to the general public for purposes of vehicular traffic.

(b) In Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act, "driver" includes any person who is required to hold a CDL under Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act, or federal law.

(16) "Driving privilege card" means the evidence of the privilege granted and issued under this chapter to drive a motor vehicle to a person whose privilege was obtained without providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States.

(17) "Electronic license certificate" means the evidence, in an electronic format as described in Section 53-3-235, of a privilege granted under this chapter to drive a motor vehicle.

(18) "Extension" means a renewal completed in a manner specified by the division.

(19) "Farm tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used primarily as a farm implement for drawing plows, mowing machines, and other implements of husbandry.

(20) "Highway" means the entire width between property lines of every way or place of any nature when any part of it is open to the use of the public, as a matter of right, for traffic.

(21) "Human driver" means the same as that term is defined in Section 41-26-102.1.

(22) "Identification card" means a card issued under Part 8, Identification Card Act, to

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a person for identification purposes.

(23) "Indigent" means that a person's income falls below the federal poverty guideline issued annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the Federal Register.

~~{ (24) "Judicial account receivable" means a fine, restitution, forfeiture, fee, surcharge, or other financial penalty imposed on an individual by a court or another government entity.~~

~~{ (24) (25) "License" means the privilege to drive a motor vehicle.~~

~~{ (25) (26) (a) "License certificate" means the evidence of the privilege issued under this chapter to drive a motor vehicle.~~

(b) "License certificate" evidence includes:

- (i) a regular license certificate;
- (ii) a limited-term license certificate;
- (iii) a driving privilege card;
- (iv) a CDL license certificate;
- (v) a limited-term CDL license certificate;
- (vi) a temporary regular license certificate;
- (vii) a temporary limited-term license certificate; and
- (viii) an electronic license certificate created in Section 53-3-235.

~~{ (26) (27) "Limited-term commercial driver license" or "limited-term CDL" means a license:~~

(a) issued substantially in accordance with the requirements of Title XII, Pub. L. No. 99-570, the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986, and in accordance with Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act, which authorizes the holder to drive a class of commercial motor vehicle; and

(b) that was obtained by providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States with one of the document requirements described in Subsection 53-3-410(1)(i)(ii).

~~{ (27) (28) "Limited-term identification card" means an identification card issued under this chapter to a person whose card was obtained by providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States with one of the document requirements described in Subsection 53-3-804(2)(i)(ii).~~

~~{ (28) (29) "Limited-term license certificate" means the evidence of the privilege granted and issued under this chapter to drive a motor vehicle to a person whose privilege was~~

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obtained providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States with one of the document requirements described in Subsection 53-3-205(8)(a)(ii)(B).

~~(29)~~ ~~(30)~~ "Motor vehicle" means the same as that term is defined in Section 41-1a-102.

~~(30)~~ ~~(31)~~ "Motor vehicle record" or "MVR" means a driving record under Subsection 53-3-109(6)(a).

~~(31)~~ ~~(32)~~ "Motorboat" means the same as that term is defined in Section 73-18-2.

~~(32)~~ ~~(33)~~ "Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle, other than a tractor, having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel with not more than three wheels in contact with the ground.

~~(33)~~ ~~(34)~~ "Office of Recovery Services" means the Office of Recovery Services, created in Section 62A-11-102.

~~(34)~~ ~~(35)~~ "Operate" means the same as that term is defined in Section 41-1a-102.

~~(35)~~ ~~(36)~~ (a) "Owner" means a person other than a lien holder having an interest in the property or title to a vehicle.

(b) "Owner" includes a person entitled to the use and possession of a vehicle subject to a security interest in another person but excludes a lessee under a lease not intended as security.

(36) "Penalty accounts receivable" means a fine, restitution, forfeiture, fee, surcharge, or other financial penalty imposed on an individual by a court or another governmental entity.

~~(36)~~ (37) (a) "Private passenger carrier" means any motor vehicle for hire that is:

- (i) designed to transport 15 or fewer passengers, including the driver; and
- (ii) operated to transport an employee of the person that hires the motor vehicle.

(b) "Private passenger carrier" does not include:

- (i) a taxicab;
- (ii) a motor vehicle driven by a transportation network driver as defined in Section 13-51-102;

(iii) a motor vehicle driven for transportation network services as defined in Section 13-51-102; and

(iv) a motor vehicle driven for a transportation network company as defined in Section 13-51-102 and registered with the Division of Consumer Protection as described in Section

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~~[(37)]~~ (38) "Regular identification card" means an identification card issued under this chapter to a person whose card was obtained by providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States with one of the document requirements described in Subsection 53-3-804(2)(i)(i).

~~[(38)]~~ (39) "Regular license certificate" means the evidence of the privilege issued under this chapter to drive a motor vehicle whose privilege was obtained by providing evidence of lawful presence in the United States with one of the document requirements described in Subsection 53-3-205(8)(a)(ii)(A).

~~[(39)]~~ (40) "Renewal" means to validate a license certificate so that it expires at a later date.

~~[(40)]~~ (41) "Reportable violation" means an offense required to be reported to the division as determined by the division and includes those offenses against which points are assessed under Section 53-3-221.

~~[(41)]~~ (42) (a) "Resident" means an individual who:

(i) has established a domicile in this state, as defined in Section 41-1a-202, or regardless of domicile, remains in this state for an aggregate period of six months or more during any calendar year;

(ii) engages in a trade, profession, or occupation in this state, or who accepts employment in other than seasonal work in this state, and who does not commute into the state;

(iii) declares himself to be a resident of this state by obtaining a valid Utah driver license certificate or motor vehicle registration; or

(iv) declares himself a resident of this state to obtain privileges not ordinarily extended to nonresidents, including going to school, or placing children in school without paying nonresident tuition or fees.

(b) "Resident" does not include any of the following:

(i) a member of the military, temporarily stationed in this state;

(ii) an out-of-state student, as classified by an institution of higher education, regardless of whether the student engages in any type of employment in this state;

(iii) a person domiciled in another state or country, who is temporarily assigned in this state, assigned by or representing an employer, religious or private organization, or a governmental entity; or

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(iv) an immediate family member who resides with or a household member of a person listed in Subsections ~~[(41)]~~ (42)(b)(i) through (iii).

~~[(42)]~~ (43) "Revocation" means the termination by action of the division of a licensee's privilege to drive a motor vehicle.

~~[(43)]~~ (44) (a) "School bus" means a commercial motor vehicle used to transport pre-primary, primary, or secondary school students to and from home and school, or to and from school sponsored events.

(b) "School bus" does not include a bus used as a common carrier as defined in Section 59-12-102.

~~[(44)]~~ (45) "Suspension" means the temporary withdrawal by action of the division of a licensee's privilege to drive a motor vehicle.

~~[(45)]~~ (46) "Taxicab" means any class D motor vehicle transporting any number of passengers for hire and that is subject to state or federal regulation as a taxi.

Section 5. Section **53-3-218** is amended to read:

**53-3-218. Court to report convictions and may recommend suspension of license -- Severity of speeding violation defined.**

(1) As used in this section, "conviction" means conviction by the court of first impression or final administrative determination in an administrative traffic proceeding.

(2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c), a court having jurisdiction over offenses committed under this chapter or any other law of this state, or under any municipal ordinance regulating driving motor vehicles on highways or driving motorboats on the water, shall forward to the division within five days, an abstract of the court record of the conviction or plea held in abeyance of any person in the court for a reportable traffic or motorboating violation of any laws or ordinances, and may recommend the suspension of the license of the person convicted.

(b) When the division receives a court record of a conviction or plea in abeyance for a motorboat violation, the division may only take action against a person's driver license if the motorboat violation is for a violation of Title 41, Chapter 6a, Part 5, Driving Under the Influence and Reckless Driving.

(c) A court may not forward to the division an abstract of a court record of a conviction for a violation described in Subsection 53-3-220(1)(c)(i) or (ii), unless the court found that the

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person convicted of the violation was an operator of a motor vehicle at the time of the violation.

(3) (a) A court may not order the division to suspend a person's driver's license based solely on the person's failure to pay a ~~criminal judgment~~ penalty accounts receivable.

~~(b) (i) For a person charged with an offense related to the operation of a motor vehicle that is an infraction or a class C misdemeanor who fails to make a court appearance, the court may rule that the person has waived the court hearing and the court may try the person in absentia in accordance with Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rule 17 (a), after which the court shall send notice of the court's finding to the division and to the person at the last address provided to the court or the division.~~

~~(ii) A court may not impose a sentence including jail time if the person was tried in absentia as described in Subsection (3)(b)(i).~~

~~(c) (i) The court may notify the division, and the division may, prior to sentencing, suspend the driver license of a person who fails to appear if the person is charged with:~~

~~(A) a class B misdemeanor or higher related to the operation of a motor vehicle;~~

~~(B) an offense described in Title 41, Chapter 12a, Part 3, Owner's or Operator's~~

~~Security Requirement; or~~

~~(C) an offense described in Subsection 53-3-220(1)(a) or (b).~~

~~(ii) For a person charged with an offense related to the operation of a motor vehicle that is a class C misdemeanor or an infraction, and the person fails to appear, the division may not suspend the person's driver license prior to sentencing.~~

~~(3) (4) The abstract shall be made in the form prescribed by the division and shall include:~~

~~(a) the name, date of birth, and address of the party charged;~~

~~(b) the license certificate number of the party charged, if any;~~

~~(c) the registration number of the motor vehicle or motorboat involved;~~

~~(d) whether the motor vehicle was a commercial motor vehicle;~~

~~(e) whether the motor vehicle carried hazardous materials;~~

~~(f) whether the motor vehicle carried 16 or more occupants;~~

~~(g) whether the driver presented a commercial driver license;~~

~~(h) the nature of the offense;~~

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- (i) whether the offense involved an accident;
- (j) the driver's blood alcohol content, if applicable;
- (k) if the offense involved a speeding violation:
  - (i) the posted speed limit;
  - (ii) the actual speed; and
  - (iii) whether the speeding violation occurred on a highway that is part of the interstate system as defined in Section 72-1-102;
- (l) the date of the hearing;
- (m) the plea;
- (n) the judgment or whether bail was forfeited; and
- (o) the severity of the violation, which shall be graded by the court as "minimum," "intermediate," or "maximum" as established in accordance with Subsection 53-3-221(4).

~~[(4)]~~ (5) When a convicted person secures a judgment of acquittal or reversal in any appellate court after conviction in the court of first impression, the division shall reinstate the convicted person's license immediately upon receipt of a certified copy of the judgment of acquittal or reversal.

~~[(5)]~~ (6) Upon a conviction for a violation of the prohibition on using a handheld wireless communication device for text messaging or electronic mail communication while operating a moving motor vehicle under Section 41-6a-1716, a judge may order a suspension of the convicted person's license for a period of three months.

~~[(6)]~~ (7) Upon a conviction for a violation of careless driving under Section 41-6a-1715 that causes or results in the death of another person, a judge may order a revocation of the convicted person's license for a period of one year.

Section 6. Section **53-3-221** is amended to read:

**53-3-221. Offenses that may result in denial, suspension, disqualification, or revocation of license -- Additional grounds for suspension -- Point system for traffic violations -- Notice and hearing -- Reporting of traffic violation procedures.**

(1) By following the procedures in Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, the division may deny, suspend, disqualify, or revoke the license or permit of any person without receiving a record of the person's conviction of crime when the division has been notified or has reason to believe the person:

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(a) has committed any offenses for which mandatory suspension or revocation of a license is required upon conviction under Section 53-3-220;

(b) has, by reckless or unlawful driving of a motor vehicle, caused or contributed to an accident resulting in death or injury to any other person, or serious property damage;

(c) is incompetent to drive a motor vehicle or mobility vehicle or has a mental or physical disability rendering it unsafe for the person to drive a motor vehicle or mobility vehicle upon the highways;

(d) has committed a serious violation of the motor vehicle laws of this state;

(e) has knowingly committed a violation of Section 53-3-229; or

(f) has been convicted of serious offenses against traffic laws governing the movement of motor vehicles with a frequency that indicates a disrespect for traffic laws and a disregard for the safety of other persons on the highways.

(2) (a) ~~[The]~~ Except as provided in Subsection 53-3-218(3), the division may suspend the license of a person under Subsection (1) when the person has failed to comply with the terms stated on a traffic citation issued in this state, except this Subsection (2) does not apply to highway weight limit violations or violations of law governing the transportation of hazardous materials.

~~[(b) This Subsection (2) applies to parking and standing violations only if a court has issued a warrant for the arrest of a person for failure to post bail, appear, or otherwise satisfy the terms of the citation.]~~

~~[(c)]~~ (b) (i) This Subsection (2) may not be exercised unless notice of the pending suspension of the driving privilege has been sent at least 10 days previously to the person at the address provided to the division.

(ii) After clearance by the division, a report authorized by Section 53-3-104 may not contain any evidence of a suspension that occurred as a result of failure to comply with the terms stated on a traffic citation.

~~[(3)(a) The division may suspend the license of a person under Subsection (1) when the division has been notified by a court that the person has an outstanding unpaid fine, an outstanding incomplete restitution requirement, or an outstanding warrant levied by order of a court.]~~

~~[(b) The suspension remains in effect until the division is notified by the court that the~~

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~~order has been satisfied.]~~

~~[(c) After clearance by the division, a report authorized by Section 53-3-104 may not contain any evidence of the suspension.]~~

~~[(d) The provisions of Subsection (3)(c) do not apply to:]~~

~~[(i) a CDIP or CDL license holder; or]~~

~~[(ii) a violation that occurred in a commercial motor vehicle.]~~

(3) Except as provided in Subsection 53-3-218(3), the division may not revoke, deny, suspend, or disqualify an individual's driver license based solely on:

(a) the individual's failure to appear;

(b) the individual's failure to pay an outstanding ~~criminal justice account~~ penalty accounts receivable; or

(c) the issuance of a bench warrant as a result of an event described in Subsection (3)(a) or (b).

(4) (a) The division shall make rules establishing a point system as provided for in this Subsection (4).

(b) (i) The division shall assign a number of points to each type of moving traffic violation as a measure of its seriousness.

(ii) The points shall be based upon actual relationships between types of traffic violations and motor vehicle traffic accidents.

(iii) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b)(iv), the division may not assess points against a person's driving record for a conviction of a traffic violation:

(A) that occurred in another state; and

(B) that was committed on or after July 1, 2011.

(iv) The provisions of Subsection (4)(b)(iii) do not apply to:

(A) a reckless or impaired driving violation or a speeding violation for exceeding the posted speed limit by 21 or more miles per hour; or

(B) an offense committed in another state which, if committed within Utah, would result in the mandatory suspension or revocation of a license upon conviction under Section 53-3-220.

(c) Every person convicted of a traffic violation shall have assessed against the person's driving record the number of points that the division has assigned to the type of violation of

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which the person has been convicted, except that the number of points assessed shall be decreased by 10% if on the abstract of the court record of the conviction the court has graded the severity of violation as minimum, and shall be increased by 10% if on the abstract the court has graded the severity of violation as maximum.

(d) (i) A separate procedure for assessing points for speeding offenses shall be established by the division based upon the severity of the offense.

(ii) The severity of a speeding violation shall be graded as:

(A) "minimum" for exceeding the posted speed limit by up to 10 miles per hour;

(B) "intermediate" for exceeding the posted speed limit by from 11 to 20 miles per hour; and

(C) "maximum" for exceeding the posted speed limit by 21 or more miles per hour.

(iii) Consideration shall be made for assessment of no points on minimum speeding violations, except for speeding violations in school zones.

(e) (i) Points assessed against a person's driving record shall be deleted for violations occurring before a time limit set by the division.

(ii) The time limit may not exceed three years.

(iii) The division may also delete points to reward violation-free driving for periods of time set by the division.

(f) (i) By publication in two newspapers having general circulation throughout the state, the division shall give notice of the number of points it has assigned to each type of traffic violation, the time limit set by the division for the deletion of points, and the point level at which the division will generally take action to deny or suspend under this section.

(ii) The division may not change any of the information provided above regarding points without first giving new notice in the same manner.

(5) (a) (i) If the division finds that the license of a person should be denied, suspended, disqualified, or revoked under this section, the division shall immediately notify the licensee in a manner specified by the division and afford the person an opportunity for a hearing in the county where the licensee resides.

(ii) The hearing shall be documented, and the division or its authorized agent may administer oaths, may issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant books and papers, and may require a reexamination of the licensee.

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(iii) One or more members of the division may conduct the hearing, and any decision made after a hearing before any number of the members of the division is as valid as if made after a hearing before the full membership of the division.

(iv) After the hearing the division shall either rescind or affirm its decision to deny, suspend, disqualify, or revoke the license.

(b) The denial, suspension, disqualification, or revocation of the license remains in effect pending qualifications determined by the division regarding a person:

(i) whose license has been denied or suspended following reexamination;

(ii) who is incompetent to drive a motor vehicle;

(iii) who is afflicted with mental or physical infirmities that might make him dangerous on the highways; or

(iv) who may not have the necessary knowledge or skill to drive a motor vehicle safely.

(6) (a) Subject to Subsection (6)(d), the division shall suspend a person's license when the division receives notice from the Office of Recovery Services that the Office of Recovery Services has ordered the suspension of the person's license.

(b) A suspension under Subsection (6)(a) shall remain in effect until the division receives notice from the Office of Recovery Services that the Office of Recovery Services has rescinded the order of suspension.

(c) After an order of suspension is rescinded under Subsection (6)(b), a report authorized by Section 53-3-104 may not contain any evidence of the suspension.

(d) (i) If the division suspends a person's license under this Subsection (6), the division shall, upon application, issue a temporary limited driver license to the person if that person needs a driver license for employment, education, or child visitation.

(ii) The temporary limited driver license described in this section:

(A) shall provide that the person may operate a motor vehicle only for the purpose of driving to or from the person's place of employment, education, or child visitation;

(B) shall prohibit the person from driving a motor vehicle for any purpose other than a purpose described in Subsection (6)(d)(ii)(A); and

(C) shall expire 90 days after the day on which the temporary limited driver license is issued.

(iii) (A) During the period beginning on the day on which a temporary limited driver

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license is issued under this Subsection (6), and ending on the day that the temporary limited driver license expires, the suspension described in this Subsection (6) only applies if the person who is suspended operates a motor vehicle for a purpose other than employment, education, or child visitation.

(B) Upon expiration of a temporary limited driver license described in this Subsection (6)(d):

(I) a suspension described in Subsection (6)(a) shall be in full effect until the division receives notice, under Subsection (6)(b), that the order of suspension is rescinded; and

(II) a person suspended under Subsection (6)(a) may not drive a motor vehicle for any reason.

(iv) The division is not required to issue a limited driver license to a person under this Subsection (6)(d) if there are other legal grounds for the suspension of the person's driver license.

(v) The division shall make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to implement the provisions of this part.

(7) (a) The division may suspend or revoke the license of any resident of this state upon receiving notice of the conviction of that person in another state of an offense committed there that, if committed in this state, would be grounds for the suspension or revocation of a license.

(b) The division may, upon receiving a record of the conviction in this state of a nonresident driver of a motor vehicle or motorboat of any offense under the motor vehicle laws of this state, forward a certified copy of the record to the motor vehicle administrator in the state where the person convicted is a resident.

(8) (a) The division may suspend or revoke the license of any nonresident to drive a motor vehicle in this state for any cause for which the license of a resident driver may be suspended or revoked.

(b) Any nonresident who drives a motor vehicle upon a highway when the person's license has been suspended or revoked by the division is guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

(9) (a) The division may not deny or suspend the license of any person for a period of more than one year except:

(i) for failure to comply with the terms of a traffic citation under Subsection (2);

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(ii) upon receipt of a second or subsequent order suspending juvenile driving privileges under Section 53-3-219;

(iii) when extending a denial or suspension upon receiving certain records or reports under Subsection 53-3-220(2);

(iv) for failure to give and maintain owner's or operator's security under Section 41-12a-411;

(v) when the division suspends the license under Subsection (6); or

(vi) when the division denies the license under Subsection (14).

(b) The division may suspend the license of a person under Subsection (2) until the person shows satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms of the traffic citation.

(10) (a) By following the procedures in Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, the division may suspend the license of any person without receiving a record of the person's conviction for a crime when the division has reason to believe that the person's license was granted by the division through error or fraud or that the necessary consent for the license has been withdrawn or is terminated.

(b) The procedure upon suspension is the same as under Subsection (5), except that after the hearing the division shall either rescind its order of suspension or cancel the license.

(11) (a) The division, having good cause to believe that a licensed driver is incompetent or otherwise not qualified to be licensed, may upon notice in a manner specified by the division of at least five days to the licensee require him to submit to an examination.

(b) Upon the conclusion of the examination the division may suspend or revoke the person's license, permit him to retain the license, or grant a license subject to a restriction imposed in accordance with Section 53-3-208.

(c) Refusal or neglect of the licensee to submit to an examination is grounds for suspension or revocation of the licensee's license.

(12) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (12)(b), a report authorized by Section 53-3-104 may not contain any evidence of a conviction for speeding on an interstate system in this state if the conviction was for a speed of 10 miles per hour or less, above the posted speed limit and did not result in an accident, unless authorized in a manner specified by the division by the individual whose report is being requested.

(b) The provisions of Subsection (12)(a) do not apply for:

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- (i) a CDIP or CDL license holder; or
- (ii) a violation that occurred in a commercial motor vehicle.

(13) (a) By following the procedures in Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, the division may suspend the license of a person if it has reason to believe that the person is the owner of a motor vehicle for which security is required under Title 41, Chapter 12a, Financial Responsibility of Motor Vehicle Owners and Operators Act, and has driven the motor vehicle or permitted it to be driven within this state without the security being in effect.

(b) The division may suspend a driving privilege card holder's driving privilege card if the division receives notification from the Motor Vehicle Division that:

- (i) the driving privilege card holder is the registered owner of a vehicle; and
- (ii) the driving privilege card holder's vehicle registration has been revoked under Subsection 41-1a-110(2)(a)(ii)(A).

(c) Section 41-12a-411 regarding the requirement of proof of owner's or operator's security applies to persons whose driving privileges are suspended under this Subsection (13).

(14) The division may deny an individual's license if the person fails to comply with the requirement to downgrade the person's CDL to a class D license under Section 53-3-410.1.

(15) The division may deny a person's class A, B, C, or D license if the person fails to comply with the requirement to have a K restriction removed from the person's license.

(16) Any suspension or revocation of a person's license under this section also disqualifies any license issued to that person under Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act.