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Senate Bill 61 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Richard D. Fessler
Committee: State Affairs, Tourism, and Transportation

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RATIONALE

Public Act 222 of 1972, which provides for official State personal identification cards, specifies that such cards may not be issued to anyone holding a valid operator's or chauffeur's license. Reportedly, the purpose for this restriction was to avoid the duplication of "pictured" identification cards since the State cards serve as identification for persons who do not have a driver's license or other form of identification with a photograph. Recently, it has been reported that this restriction on the issuance of State identification cards has proven problematic to persons whose driver's license has been suspended, revoked, or restricted and who have no other form of pictured identification. It has been suggested, therefore, that they be allowed to obtain State identification cards.

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 222 of 1972 to allow an official State personal identification card to be issued to persons whose operator's or chauffeur's license has been suspended, revoked, or restricted.

MCL 28.292

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill would have a minimal fiscal impact on the State and no fiscal impact on local units of government. The Department of State expects no significant workload increase due to this bill, and a minimal increase in revenues collected by

the State.

ARGUMENTS**Supporting Argument**

The bill would enable persons without a valid driver's license to obtain the pictured identification that is so necessary today for writing and cashing checks and completing other transactions that require proof of identification.

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