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Senate Bill 478 (as introduced 6-21-17)
Sponsor: Senator Dave Hildenbrand
Committee: Transportation

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to delete provisions that will increase from three to six the number of parking citations that can lead to the denial of a driver license for failure to appear beginning January 1, 2018.

Under the Code, a court may notify a person who failed to answer a specific number of parking violation notices or citations for illegal parking that if he or she does not appear within 10 days, the court will inform the Secretary of State (SOS) of the person's failure to appear. Upon being informed, the SOS may not issue a license to or renew a license for the person until the court informs the SOS that the person has resolved all outstanding matters regarding the notices or citations and paid to the court a \$45 driver license clearance fee. Currently, the threshold for license denial is three parking citations. Beginning January 1, 2018, the threshold will be six parking citations. The bill would remove the increase that is scheduled to take effect January 1, 2018, and maintain the current threshold of three parking citations.

The bill would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

MCL 257.321a

BACKGROUND

Public Act 13 of 2012 amended the Code to reduce from six to three the number of parking citations that can lead to the denial of a driver license for failure to appear, and included a provision that will return the threshold to six parking citations beginning January 1, 2018.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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