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Senate Bill 630 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Senator Rick Jones  
Committee: Judiciary

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to change a reference to Section 703(1) of the Michigan Liquor Control Code, which prohibits a minor from purchasing, consuming, or possessing liquor, to refer instead to provisions making a second or subsequent violation of that prohibition a misdemeanor.

Under the Michigan Vehicle Code, if an individual is charged with, or convicted of, certain offenses, including a violation of Section 703(1) of the Liquor Control Code or a substantially corresponding local ordinance, and he or she fails to answer a citation or a notice to appear in court or fails to comply with an order or judgment of the court, the court must immediately give notice by first-class mail that if the individual fails to appear within seven days after the notice is issued, or fails to comply with the court order or judgment within 14 days after the notice is issued, the Secretary of State (SOS) must suspend his or her operator's or chauffeur's license.

The bill would revise the reference to Section 703(1) of the Liquor Control Code to refer instead to Section 703(1)(b) or (c) of the Code. (Currently, a minor who violates Section 703(1) is guilty of a misdemeanor. Effective January 1, 2018, under Section 703(1)(a), a minor who violates Section 703(1) for the first time will be responsible for a State civil infraction. Under Section 703(1)(b) and (c), if a violation occurs after one prior judgment, or two or more prior judgments, respectively, the minor will be guilty of a misdemeanor.)

The bill would take effect on 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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