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**LEGISLATIVE BILL REVIEW FORM: 2014**

Bill Number:    H.875    Name of Bill:    An Act Relating to Fines for Driving with License Suspended   

Agency/ Dept:    Motor Vehicle    Author of Bill Review:    Robert Ide   

Date of Bill Review:    May 8, 2014   

Status of Bill: (check one):

       Upon Introduction             As passed by 1<sup>st</sup> body        XXZ   As passed by both bodies

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**Recommended Position:**

  XX   Support             Oppose             Remain Neutral             Support with modifications identified in #8 below

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**Analysis of Bill**

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**1. Summary of bill and issue it addresses.** *Describe what the bill is intended to accomplish and why.*

This bill will allow the Judicial Bureau to extend time periods for the paying of civil penalties for traffic violations, cap the suspension term at 120 days for failure to pay the traffic ticket and not to count prior tickets for driving under suspension if the fine is paid in accordance with subsection 2307(b) of Title 23.

**2. Is there a need for this bill?** *Please explain why or why not.* The Judicial Bureau needs the specific authority to continue the practice of extending the time for the payment of traffic ticket fines. The term of suspension currently is indefinitely and until the fine is paid. Legislation is necessary to change this term.

**3. What are likely to be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for this Department?**

Fines will more easily and timely paid to the Judicial Bureau.

**4. What might be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for other departments in state government, and what is likely to be their perspective on it?**

**5. What might be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for others, and what is likely to be their perspective on it?** *(for example, public, municipalities, organizations, business, regulated entities, etc)*

**6. Other Stakeholders:**

**6.1 Who else is likely to support the proposal and why?**

Vermont Judicial Bureau – Motoring Public (fewer suspended drivers)

**6.2 Who else is likely to oppose the proposal and why?**

**7. Rationale for recommendation:** *Justify recommendation stated above.*

Fewer suspended drivers – more fines paid

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**8. Specific modifications that would be needed to recommend support of this bill:**    *Not meant to rewrite bill, but rather, an opportunity to identify simple modifications that would change recommended position.*

**Secretary/Commissioner has reviewed this document:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_