

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM (ISP) COLLABORATIVE

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House Public Safety Committee
MN State Capitol
St. Paul, MN

RE: Letter of Support for H.F. 502 (Proposed Ignition Interlock Bill)

Dear House Public Safety Committee Members,

The members of the ISP Collaborative are made up from probation agents throughout the State of Minnesota that supervise repeat DWI offenders. The ISP Collaborative supports the DWI Task Force in voicing its support for H.F. 502, the ignition interlock bill authored by Representatives Moller, Baker, and Lippert.

The ISP collaborative supports the elimination of the DWI written test, elimination of the insurance certificate requirement, elimination of the special registration plates, and the elimination for the “limited licenses” for DWI offenders. The interlock device is the “center of gravity” towards reducing DWI offenses and changing offender behavior!

The limited license provision unnecessarily restricts parents with dependent children and non-custodial parents. It does even not allow for any travel to or from medical appointments. The current limited license provision borders on discrimination of the elderly, unemployed, and disabled. A limited license participant who is of retirement age, unemployed or unable to work because of a disability, is *only* allowed to operate their motor vehicle with interlock to go to CD treatment, AA/NA meetings, meet with their probation agent, and drive to and from the interlock recalibration site.

The current overbearing restrictions of the “Limited License” cause many clients to simply forego the installation of ignition interlock, which ultimately jeopardizes public safety all over again.

Sincerely,



David E. Munson, Chairperson for ISP Collaborative

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