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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill permits courts to stay adjudication of certain driving after suspension, revocation, and cancellation cases on condition that the driver obtain reinstatement of driving privileges.

### Section

1 **Stay of adjudication.** Permits a court to stay adjudication of an offense of driving after suspension, revocation or cancellation if:

the offender has not previously received a stay of adjudication for a violation of this chapter;

the offender has the ability to obtain reinstatement of driving privileges by remedying the circumstance that lead to the suspension, revocation, or cancellation;

the offender agrees to seek reinstatement of driving privileges; and

the court schedules a sentencing hearing within 90 days to review whether the offender has obtained reinstatement of driving privileges.

Provides the court with three options if the offender timely obtains reinstatement:

1. dismiss the proceedings against the offender;
2. discharge the person without adjudicating the offender guilty; or
3. set additional probationary conditions.

Permits the court to enter a judgment of guilty if the offender does not timely obtain

reinstatement or fails to appear at the sentencing hearing.

2     **Effective date.** August 1, 2001, for proceedings conducted on or after that date.