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## Bill Summary =

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## **Overview**

This bill involves a change to 2003 legislation that established a new method for enforcing the requirement that all motor vehicle owners have the required insurance. The new method, which went into effect January 1, 2004, involves the Department of Public Safety mailing to a monthly sampling of drivers a request that the driver provide insurance information on all vehicles the driver owns, as of the date specified in the request. If the driver fails to respond, falsely claims to have coverage, or admits not having coverage, the law requires that the department suspend the person's driver's license after mailing a notice of the suspension.

## **Section**

Sampling to verify insurance coverage. Provides that the Department of Public Safety may not suspend a driver's license for failure to respond to a mailed request for proof of insurance, unless the department has proof that the request was delivered by certified mail with proof of delivery. Effective March 1, 2005.