Session of 2017

SENATE BILL No. 181

By Committee on Transportation

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AN ACT concerning district courts; relating to persons with suspended drivers' licenses, amnesty agreements.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), a person whose driving privileges have been suspended pursuant to K.S.A. 8-2110(b)(1), and amendments thereto, may enter into an amnesty agreement with the district court county or district attorney pursuant to this section. Under the terms of the amnesty agreement, the person may apply to the division of vehicles for restricted driving privileges in the same manner as K.S.A. 8-2110(b)(2), and amendments thereto, and the court shall chief judge of each judicial district may:

- (1) Recall any warrants directly related to the suspension;
- (2) waive reinstatement and collection fees directly related to the suspension; and
- (3) offer payment plans, to be administered by the county or district attorney, to persons who are unable to pay in full.
- (b) Persons who are unable to pay due to hardship or lack of employment may enter into an additional agreement with the court to receive a credit against any fines imposed by performing community service or attending classes aimed at developing job skills and gaining employment. The court shall approve any classes and community service before the person will receive any credit towards fines. Once approved, the person shall receive a credit on the fine in an amount equal to \$5 for each full hour spent by the person in community service and \$8 for each full hour spent attending classes.
 - (c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to:
- (1) Any person whose driving privileges have been suspended by another court;
 - (2) non-traffic warrants; or
- (3) persons whose driver's license has been suspended or revoked under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-262, 8-2,144, 8-1567, 8-1567a or 40-3104, and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 8-1025, and amendments thereto.
- (d) Upon review and approval of the driver's eligibility, the driver's driving privileges shall be restricted by the division of vehicles for a-

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1 period of up to one year or until the terms of the traffic citation have been complied with, and the court shall immediately electronically notify the 3 division of vehicles of such compliance. If the driver fails to comply with 4 the traffic citation within the one-year period, the driver's driving privileges will be suspended by the division of vehicles until the court 5 6 determines the person has complied with the terms of the traffic citation 7 and the court, shall immediately electronically notify the division of 8 vehicles of such compliance. Upon receipt of notification of such-9 compliance from the informing court, the division of vehicles shall-10 terminate the suspension action.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.