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January 19, 2017

Testimony in Support of SB-5

Senate Transportation Committee

Honorable Chair – Senator Mike Petersen

Vice Chair – Senator John Doll

Ranking Minority – Senator Pat Pettey

Honorable Committee Members

Good morning Mr. Chairman and other esteemed Senators of the Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak in support of Senate Bill 5.

Many of you voted for current law that allows Kansans who have suspended licenses to participate in a state program with the Department of Revenue. This program allows individuals with suspended driver's licenses to apply for restricted licenses that permit them to drive back and forth to work, school, doctor's appointments, court, etc. while paying their fines. However, many individuals who fall into the category of driving while suspended could not participate in the program. Senate Bill 5 will allow those individuals to drive legally while they are paying their fines. It's a win/win situation!

Thank you for your time and consideration. I urge your support for Senate Bill 5. Please reference the attached documents about statewide amnesty programs that might be used in conjunction with this bill to help alleviate this problem as well as generate a bit of revenue.

Sincerely,

Senator Faust-Goudeau

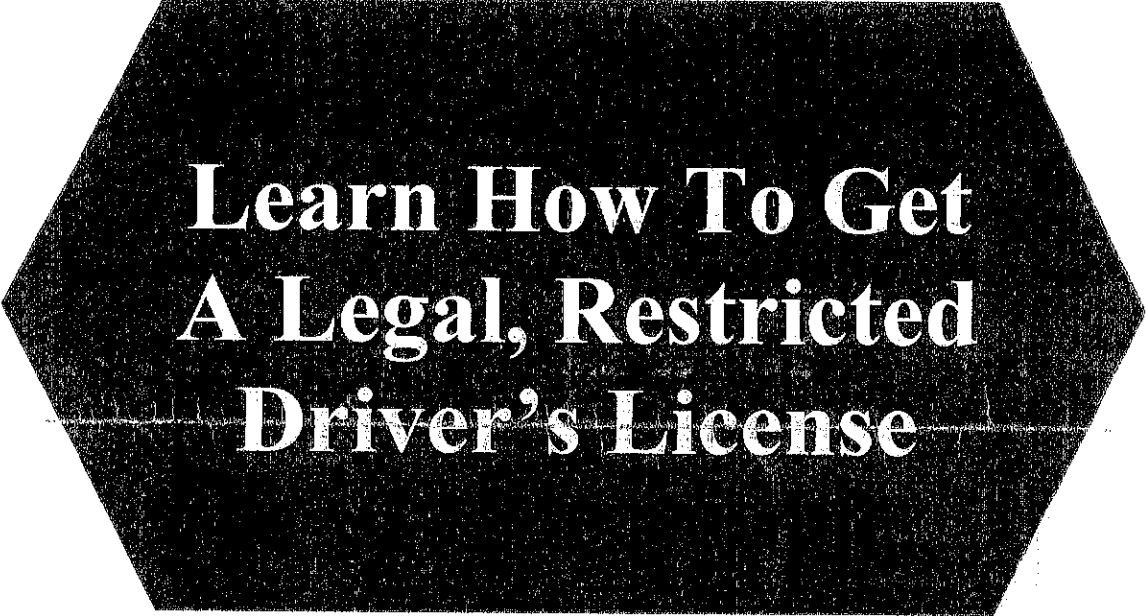
DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENDED/REVOKED?

ATTEND THIS WORKSHOP

WHEN: Saturday, September 17, 2016

TIME: 11:00AM to 2:00PM

Place: Atwater Center -2755 E 19th Street North, Wichita, KS 67214



**Learn How To Get
A Legal, Restricted
Driver's License**

PANEL PRESENTERS:

Kansas Department of Revenue- Jessica Ross

- **Staff will be on-site to answer your driving record related questions**
- **Applications, fees and other reinstatement related documents will be received and processed on site**
- **Application Costs vary from \$25.00-\$100.00 (Bring your questions and funds)**

GOT QUESTIONS? COME GET ANSWERS!!

Workshop sponsored by the Racial Profiling Advisory Board of Wichita at 316-371-0013

<http://www.racialprofilingwichitaks.com>

Iris Evans

From: oletha29th@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Iris Evans
Subject: Fwd: Amnesty

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-----Original Message-----

From: Martin, Donte <DMartin@wichita.gov>
To: oletha29th <oletha29th@aol.com>
Sent: Wed, Jan 4, 2017 3:58 pm
Subject: Amnesty

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Please let me know if I can assist you further.

Donte

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From: Martin, Donte <DMartin@wichita.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 4:10 PM
To: oletha29th@aol.com; Iris Evans
Subject: Re: Amnesty

Senator - I've contacted the City Manager regarding the letter of support for SB5. I should hear back soon.

2015 DL Amnesty Outcomes

- 945 people participated
- 576 participants fully resolved their outstanding cases
- \$136,000 in fees were waived
- \$89,000 was collected
- 554 unserved warrants were cleared

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