

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 671**

Short Title: DL Restoration/DWI Treatment Court. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Apodaca, Van Duyn, J. Davis (Primary Sponsors); and Hartsell.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 30, 2015

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO  
3 CONDITIONALLY RESTORE THE DRIVERS LICENSE OF PERSONS WHO HAVE  
4 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A DRUG TREATMENT OR DWI TREATMENT  
5 COURT PROGRAM.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-19 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

8 "(d1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when a person's license is revoked for  
9 an impaired driving offense and sentenced pursuant to G.S. 20-179, the Division may  
10 conditionally restore the person's license after it has been revoked for at least one year if the  
11 person provides the Division with (i) a certificate of graduation from a Drug Treatment or  
12 Driving While Impaired (DWI) Treatment Court Program established pursuant to Article 62 of  
13 Chapter 7A of the General Statutes and (ii) a letter of recommendation from the presiding judge  
14 of the Drug Treatment or DWI Treatment Court. If the Division restores the person's license, it  
15 shall place all of the following restrictions, requirements, and conditions on the person for the  
16 duration of the original revocation period:

- 17 (1) A restriction that the applicant may operate only a designated motor vehicle.  
18 (2) A requirement that the designated motor vehicle be equipped with a  
19 functioning ignition interlock system of a type approved by the  
20 Commissioner, which is set to prohibit driving with an alcohol concentration  
21 of greater than 0.00.  
22 (3) A requirement that the applicant personally activate the ignition interlock  
23 system before driving the motor vehicle.

24 In addition, the Division may place other reasonable restrictions, requirements, and  
25 conditions on the person for the duration of the original revocation period."

26 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2015.

