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SENATE BILL 25-075

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House Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER BOARD'S CONSIDERATION  
102 OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS WHEN ISSUING A  
103 LICENSE.

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Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Current law requires the motor vehicle dealer board (board) to revoke or deny a license to a licensee or an applicant who has been convicted of or pleaded no contest to specific crimes during the previous 10 years. The bill changes the 10-year period to a 3-year period. If considering a licensee's or an applicant's criminal record, the bill allows

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the board to revoke or deny a license only if the board determines that the licensee or applicant has not been rehabilitated and creates an unreasonable risk to public safety or the sale of a motor vehicle.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-20-121, **amend**  
3 (8)(a) introductory portion; and **add** (8)(c) as follows:

4 **44-20-121. Licenses - grounds for denial, suspension, or**  
5 **revocation.** (8) (a) ~~Any~~ FOR A license issued or for which an application  
6 has been made pursuant to this part 1, THE BOARD shall ~~be revoked or~~  
7 ~~denied~~ REVOKE OR DENY THE LICENSE if the licensee or applicant has been  
8 convicted of or pleaded no contest to any of the following offenses in this  
9 state or any other jurisdiction during the previous ~~ten~~ THREE years:

10 (c) (I) IF THE BOARD IS CONSIDERING A LICENSEE'S OR AN  
11 APPLICANT'S CRIMINAL RECORD DURING THE APPLICATION OR REVOCATION  
12 PROCESS, THE BOARD MAY DENY, REVOKE, OR REFUSE TO RENEW THE  
13 LICENSE BASED ON THE LICENSEE'S OR APPLICANT'S CRIMINAL RECORD  
14 ONLY IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE LICENSEE OR APPLICANT HAS  
15 NOT BEEN REHABILITATED AND IS UNABLE TO PERFORM THE LICENSEE'S OR  
16 APPLICANT'S DUTIES WITHOUT CREATING AN UNREASONABLE RISK TO  
17 PUBLIC SAFETY OR THE LAWFUL SALE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.

18 (II) A LICENSEE'S OR AN APPLICANT'S CONVICTION OF A CRIME  
19 DOES NOT, IN AND OF ITSELF, DISQUALIFY THE LICENSEE OR APPLICANT  
20 FROM BEING ISSUED A LICENSE.

21 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**  
22 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following  
23 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the  
24 general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant

1 to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an  
2 item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,  
3 section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the  
4 general election to be held in November 2026 and, in such case, will take  
5 effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the  
6 governor.

7 (2) This act applies to license or renewal applications made on or  
8 after the applicable effective date of this act.