- 1 HB477
- 2 138328-2
- 3 By Representatives Jones and Colston
- 4 RFD: Judiciary
- 5 First Read: 06-MAR-12

1	<u>ENGROSSED</u>
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4	A BILL
5	TO BE ENTITLED
6	AN ACT
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8	To amend Section 32-5A-304 of the Code of Alabama
9	1975, to further provide for the suspension of the driver's
10	license of a person by the Department of Public Safety when
11	the person fails or refuses certain tests relating to driving
12	under the influence.
13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
14	Section 1. Section 32-5A-304 of the Code of Alabama
15	1975, is amended to read as follows:
16	"§32-5A-304.
17	"(a) A driving privilege suspension shall become
18	effective 45 days after the person has received a notice of
19	intended suspension as provided in Section 32-5A-303, or is
20	deemed to have received a notice of suspension by mail as
21	provided in Section 32-5A-302 if no notice of intended
22	suspension was served.
23	"(b) The period of driving privilege suspension
24	under this section shall be as follows:
25	"(1) Ninety days if the driving record of a person
26	shows no prior alcohol or drug-related enforcement contacts
27	during the immediately preceding five years.

"(2) One year <u>if the person had 0.15 percent or more</u>

<u>by weight of alcohol in the person's blood and shows no prior</u>

<u>alcohol or drug-related enforcement contacts during the</u>

<u>immediately preceding five years or</u> if the driving record of a

person shows one prior alcohol or drug-related enforcement

contact during the immediately preceding five years.

- "(3) Three years if the driving record of a person shows two or three alcohol or drug-related enforcement contacts during the immediately preceding five years.
- "(4) Five years if the driving record of a person shows four or more alcohol or drug-related enforcement contacts during the immediately preceding five years.
- "(5) For purposes of this section, "alcohol or drug-related enforcement contacts" shall include any suspension under this article, any suspension or revocation entered in this or any other state for a refusal to submit to chemical testing under an implied consent law, and any conviction in this or any other state for a violation which involves driving a motor vehicle while having an unlawful percent of alcohol in the blood, or while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or alcohol and drugs except that no more than one alcohol or drug-related contact on any one DUI arrest may be considered by the department in determining the period of suspension.
- "(c) If a license is suspended under this section for having .08 or more by weight of alcohol in the blood of the person and the person is also convicted on criminal

charges arising out of the same occurrence for a violation of Section 32-5A-191, the suspension under this section shall be imposed, but no period of suspension or revocation shall be imposed under Section 32-5A-191. If a license is suspended under this section for having .08 or more by weight of alcohol in the blood of the person and the criminal charge against the person for violation of Section 32-5A-191 is dismissed, nolle prossed, or the person is acquitted of the charge, the director shall rescind the suspension order and remove the administrative suspension from the person's driving record."

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the third month following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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3	House of Representatives
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8 9 10	Read for the second time and placed on the calendar 1 amendment
11 12 13	Read for the third time and passed as amended
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