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BILL SUMMARY

• Authorizes a court to allow completion of a community service program in lieu of payment of driver's license reinstatement fees when the court determines the offender cannot reasonably pay those fees.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Community service in lieu of driver's license reinstatement fees

The bill authorizes a municipal or county court to allow an offender to perform community service in lieu of payment of driver's license¹ reinstatement fees when the court determines that the offender cannot reasonably pay those fees. The bill requires a court that authorizes community service to provide the offender documentation indicating completion of that community service when the offender has completed it. The bill then requires the offender to present that documentation to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles when seeking reinstatement of the license.²

Under current law, reinstatement fees are required in order to reinstate a driver's license of an offender under a license suspension. The Registrar is prohibited from reinstating a driver's license until the person has paid all reinstatement fees and has complied with all conditions for each license suspension. When a municipal or county court determines that an offender cannot reasonably pay reinstatement fees, the court

¹ The bill also applies to reinstatement fees for a commercial driver's license or permit or nonresident operating privilege.

² R.C. 4510.10(C)(2).

may establish an installment payment plan or a payment extension plan for the offender. 3

HISTORY

ACTION DATE

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³ R.C. 4510.10(A) and (B).

