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CHAPTER 165, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to amend 343.44 (2) of the statutes, relating to the penalty for driving after license revocation or suspension.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 343.44 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.44 (2) Any person violating this section may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$400 and shall be imprisoned not less than 10 days nor more than one year in the county jail, except that if a person violates this section after having had his operating privilege revoked because of a conviction of any of the offenses mentioned in s. 343.31, he shall be imprisoned not less than 10 days nor more than one year in the county jail for the first violation of this section and shall be imprisoned not less than 90 days nor more than one year in the county jail for the 2nd such violation and shall be imprisoned for one year in the county jail for the 3rd and each subsequent violation 6 months for the first offense. For a 2nd conviction within 5 years a person may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$400 and shall be imprisoned not less than 30 days nor more than 6 months. For a 3rd conviction within 5 years a person may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$400 and shall be imprisoned not less than 60 days nor more than 6 months. For a 4th conviction within 5 years, a person may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$400 and shall be imprisoned not less than 90 days nor more than 6 months. For a 5th or subsequent conviction within 5 years a person may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 and shall be imprisoned for 6 months. Refusal to accept or failure to receive an order of revocation or suspension mailed by 1st class mail to such person's last-known address shall not be a defense to the charge of driving after revocation or suspension. If such person has changed his address and fails to notify the division as required in s. 343.22 then failure to receive notice of revocation or suspension shall not be a defense to the charge of driving after revocation or suspension.