# CHAPTER 248 HB 347-FN - FINAL VERSION

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#### 2022 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL 347-FN

AN ACT relative to driving with a suspended license.

SPONSORS: Rep. Abbas, Rock. 8

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

### **ANALYSIS**

This bill makes driving after a license has been suspended for driving or operating under the influence of drugs or liquor in this or any out-of-state jurisdiction a misdemeanor, and imposes a fine on any person who does so. The bill also clarifies that prior out-of-state convictions for driving after revocation or suspension may be considered when determining whether a person is guilty of a misdemeanor for driving after revocation or suspension.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

### In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to driving with a suspended license.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 248:1 New Subparagraph; Motor Vehicles; Driving After Revocation or Suspension. Amend RSA263:64, V-a by inserting after subparagraph (b) the following new subparagraph:(c) A person violating this section whose license or driving privilege has been suspended
  - (c) A person violating this section whose license or driving privilege has been suspended pursuant to the provisions of RSA 265-A:30, or pursuant to a reasonably equivalent law in any other jurisdiction, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined \$500 plus penalty assessment.
  - 248:2 Motor Vehicles; Driving After Revocation or Suspension. Amend RSA 263:64, VI to read as follows:
  - VI. Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor upon conviction based upon a complaint which alleged that the person has had one or more prior convictions for driving after revocation or suspension in this state *or reasonably equivalent offenses in any other jurisdiction* within the 7 years preceding the date of the second or subsequent offense.
    - 248:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2023.

Approved: June 24, 2022

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Effective Date: January 01, 2023