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Sponsor Statement

HB 144

“An Act relating to permanent fund dividend program notice requirements and to the ineligibility for permanent fund dividends of certain persons sentenced for crimes involving mandatory motor vehicle liability insurance.”

State law requires drivers to maintain liability insurance in order to operate a motor vehicle. The purpose of [HB 144](#) is to add a conviction for driving without liability insurance to the list of conditions that make a person ineligible to receive a permanent fund dividend. A first offense would mandate a one-year suspension of the PFD. A second offense would mandate a five-year suspension of the PFD.

Under HB 144 the offender would not be allowed to use the PFD to pay a fine or debt associated with a related offense. Instead, the dividend would be forfeited and the funds would remain within the general pool to be equally distributed among eligible Alaskan citizens.