

# ALLIANCE OF NEW YORK STATE YMCAS YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT Legislative Bill

Bill # 28

Referred to Committee:

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**Action on the Bill** 

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Assembly	Senate

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AN ACT TO: Make ignition interlock devices more available to New York consumers.

The People of the State of New York, represented in the Senate and Assembly do enact as follows:

**Purpose:** To reduce the amount of DWI incidents in New York state.

## **Summary of Provision**

Section 1:

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DWI is Driving While Intoxicated

DUI is Driving Under the Influence

Ignition Interlock device or breath alcohol ignition interlock device (IID and BAIID) is a breathalyzer for an individual's vehicle. It requires the driver to blow into a mouthpiece on the device before starting the vehicle.

Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) is the amount of alcohol in your blood. Legal limit is 0.8% for all states.

Section 2:

Give insurance companies a percent tax break so insurance companies can give their consumers a rebate if they install said interlock device.

### Justification

The ignition interlock system will prevent drunk driving and accidents caused by drunk driving. It will also save insurance companies and New York state money.

# Fiscal Implications

The ignition interlock device could save New York state government money because they will not have to pay for as many accidents, repairs, and health care. It will also save the insurance companies and the consumers millions of dollars annually for the same reason. On average interlock devices cost about one hundred dollars to install but the benefits are worth it the government, insurance companies, and consumers all profit from this interlock device. The average cost for a person for one DUI is ten thousand dollars as you can see if you were to install this interlock device you would be saving yourself the risk of having to spend all of that money and or losing your license. Also insurance companies have to pay thousands of dollars for each accident for your health care. Finally it could save the government thousands maybe even millions in road repairs/fixing signs etc.

### **Effective Date**

2 year after passage.

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