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Sponsors: Representatives Beard; Bowman, Buchanan, Justus, Kahl, and Warner.	
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DENY ELIGIBILITY FOR OR REVOKE THE DRIVERS LICENSE OF

A DELINQUENT MINOR FOR ONE YEAR FOR ALCOHOL, DRUG, OR FIREARMS VIOLATIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. G.S. 20-9 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(a1) The Division shall not issue a drivers license to any person under 17 years of age who was convicted of an offense under G.S. 90-95, under Article 3 of Chapter 18B of the General Statutes, of G.S. 14-269 through G.S. 14-269.6, or was adjudicated delinquent for acts that would constitute a violation of any of those offenses if committed by an adult, if the offense or act occurred before the person reached the age of 16."

Sec. 2. Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 20-17.5. Revocation of provisional license for alcohol or drug convictions.

- (a) The Division shall revoke the drivers license of a provisional licensee who is convicted of an offense under G.S. 90-95, under Article 3 of Chapter 18B of the General Statutes, or of G.S. 14-269 through G.S. 14-269.6 if the offense occurred when the person was 16 years of age or older.
 - (b) A revocation under this section shall be for one year.
- (c) Revocations under this section shall run concurrently with any other revocations, but a limited driving privilege issued pursuant to law does not authorize a provisional licensee to drive if his license is revoked under this section."
 - Sec. 3. G.S. 20-24(a) reads as rewritten:

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"(a) Whenever any person is convicted of any offense for which this Article makes mandatory the revocation of the driver's license of such person by the Division, the court in which such conviction is had shall require the surrender to it of all drivers' licenses then held by the person so convicted and the court shall thereupon forward the same, together with a record of such conviction, to the Division within 30 days.

When any juvenile who has not reached his eighteenth birthday is convicted of any offense under G.S. 90-95, under Article 3 of Chapter 18B of the General Statutes, of G.S. 14-269 through G.S. 14-269.6, or is adjudicated delinquent for acts that would constitute a violation of any of those offenses if committed by an adult, the court shall report the conviction or adjudication of delinquency to the Division within 30 days. The Division is an authorized agency pursuant to G.S. 7A-675 to maintain juvenile records.

The clerks of court, assistant clerks of court and deputy clerks of court in which any person is convicted, and as a result thereof the revocation or suspension of the driver's license of such person is required under the provisions of this Chapter, are hereby designated as agents of the Division of Motor Vehicles for the purpose of receiving all drivers' licenses required to be surrendered under this section, and are hereby authorized to and shall give to such licensee a dated receipt for any such license surrendered, such receipt to be upon such form as may be approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The original of such receipt shall be mailed forthwith to the Driver License Section of the Division of Motor Vehicles together with the driver's license. Any driver's license which has been surrendered and for which a receipt has been issued as herein required shall be revoked or suspended as the case may be as of the date shown upon the receipt issued to such person."

Sec. 4. G.S. 20-27(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) All records of the Division pertaining to application and to drivers' licenses, except the confidential medical report referred to in G.S. 20-7 and the records of acts of delinquency that would constitute a violation of offenses under G.S. 90-95, under Article 3 of Chapter 18B of the General Statutes, or of G.S. 14-269 through G.S. 14-269.6 required to be reported by G.S. 20-24(a), of the current or previous five years shall be open to public inspection at any reasonable time during office hours and copies shall be provided pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 20-26."

Sec. 5. This act becomes effective March 1, 1992, and applies to offenses or acts of delinquency committed on or after March 1, 1992.