

Senate Bill 41

By: Senators James of the 35th, Jackson of the 2nd, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Jones of the 10th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to serious traffic offenses, so as to provide that a person convicted of endangering
3 a child by driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall be ordered to have installed
4 an ignition interlock device; to provide that failure to do so shall result in a three-year
5 suspension of such person's driving privileges; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
10 serious traffic offenses, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

11 "40-6-391.4.

12 If a person is convicted of a violation of subsection (l) of Code Section 40-6-391, the court
13 shall order that, as a condition for operating a motor vehicle in this state, the person obtain
14 an ignition interlock device within 30 days of such conviction and provide proof of
15 installation to the extent required by subsection (a) of Code Section 42-8-111. Such
16 requirement shall be for a period of not less than six nor more than 12 months for a first
17 conviction and for a period of 12 months for each successive offense. If the convicted
18 person fails to do so, or if he or she operates a motor vehicle without an ignition interlock
19 device during such period, the court shall order such person's driving privileges to be
20 revoked for a period of three years, absent a finding by the court of good cause for that
21 failure, which finding is entered in the court's record."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.