

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 98-207

Establishing a Committee to Reduce Drunk Driving and Driving While
Suspended or Revoked, and Recommending an Ordinance Declaring Their Vehicles
a Nuisance and Providing for the Forfeiture of Those Vehicles.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Many drivers who are convicted of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol are not effectively deterred from re-offending.
- b. Repeat offenders continue to drive their vehicles drunk or under the influence of drugs and constitute a serious threat to themselves and the citizens of Multnomah County.
- c. Offenders who have had their vehicles forfeited re-offend at a rate which is half that of offenders who have not had their vehicles seized.
- d. Seizure of vehicles from offenders driving under the influence or while suspended or revoked can reduce re-offenses and protect the public.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. To authorize the Sheriff to convene a committee, with representatives of the other local jurisdictions in Multnomah County, and others with an interest in promoting the public safety through forfeiture of cars of drivers convicted of driving under the influence, felony driving while suspended, or related crimes, and recommending a Forfeiture Ordinance which would be adopted by all the jurisdictions within the County.

2. The Sheriff shall include on the committee nominees forwarded to him by individual members of the Board of County Commissioners.
3. Prior to returning to the Board of County Commissioners, the Committee shall forward and discuss its recommendations with the DUII Advisory Committee as well as the Alcohol and Criminal Justice Working Group of the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council.
4. The Sheriff and committee are further charged with developing recommendations regarding the administration of such a Forfeiture Ordinance.

Approved this 17th day of December, 1998.



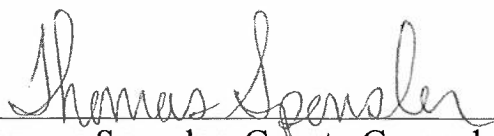
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