



Carjackings

House Bill 3699 (Martwick/Hastings)

- House Bill 3699 would allow Metropolitan Enforcement Groups, or cooperatives of law enforcement, to work together to target carjacking.
- The measure would allow the Metropolitan Enforcement Groups to receive state grants to assist in enforcement.
- A person commits vehicular hijacking when he or she knowingly takes a motor vehicle from the person or the immediate presence of another by the use of force or threatening the imminent use of force.
 - Carjacking is currently a Class 1 felony, punishable by 4-15 years imprisonment. If a gun is used in the carjacking, the person is guilty of a Class X felony, punishable by 15 years up to natural life imprisonment.
- House Bill 3699 would provide additional resources to law enforcement to target and capture these offenders.

House Bill 3772 (Aquino/Peters)

- House Bill 3772 would provide protections for victims of carjackings who receive red light or speed camera violations after their vehicle has been hijacked.
- Under the measure, if a person receives a citation due to one of these systems, the court or hearing officer would be able to consider whether the vehicle was hijacked before the violation occurred or not under the control of or possession of the vehicle at the time of violation.
- Under current law, any county or municipality can charge administrative, towing and storage fees if a person's car is impounded. However, under House Bill 3772, those fees would be waived if an owner submits proof that a report demonstrating the vehicle was hijacked was filed with law enforcement in a timely manner.