

OPERATOR AND CHAUFFEUR'S
LICENSE MAY BE REVOKED BY
MAGISTRATE COURTS:

Operator or chauffeur's license to
operate motor vehicle within state
may be revoked by magistrate court
under Sec. 302.225(4) of Senate
Committee Substitute for House Bills
22, 49, 56 and 114, for causes pro-
vided in act.

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Honorable Charles B. Cash
Judge of Magistrate Court
415 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Your recent request for a legal opinion of this department
has been received and reads as follows:

"An opinion is requested by this office
as to the authority of a Magistrate to
revoke Missouri Drivers License under
the New Motor Vehicle Drivers License
Law."

The 66th General Assembly passed amended Senate Committee
Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bills No.
22, 49, 56 and 114, which became effective on January 1, 1952,
and has been referred to as the new driver's license law of
Missouri, and we assume that it is the one to which you refer
in your letter.

Paragraph 4, of Section 302.225, of said act, relates to
the power of the various circuit and magistrate courts of the
state to suspend and revoke the license of any operator or
chauffeur to operate a motor vehicle within this state, for
causes provided in said act. Said section reads as follows:

"The magistrate courts of each county
and the circuit courts of the various
counties of this state shall have power
to suspend for the causes herein provided

for a period not to exceed one year the license of any operator or chauffeur to operate a motor vehicle within the entire state, and any circuit court or magistrate court may revoke for the causes herein provided the license of any such operator or chauffeur to operate a motor vehicle within this state, whether the case is on appeal or has originated in such court."

From the provisions of this section it is readily seen that operator's and chauffeur's license may be revoked for the causes enumerated in the act, by a magistrate court, therefore, our answer to your inquiry is that a magistrate court has been granted this power.

CONCLUSION

It is therefore, the opinion of this department that a magistrate court has the power to revoke an operator's or chauffeur's license to operate a motor vehicle within this state, under the provisions of Section 302.225, Subsection 4, of amended Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bills No. 22, 49, 56 and 114, of the 66th General Assembly of Missouri, for causes enumerated in said act, which act became effective on January 1, 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

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