Country Singer, Randy Travis Booked for DWI

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Country singer Randy Travis was arrested and accused of driving while intoxicated on Tuesday, August 7, 2012. Travis was found lying naked in the roadway and then refused to submit to a breath or blood test. However, he was later forced by a judge to take a blood test to determine his blood alcohol content. Travis posted bail Wednesday morning for \$21,500.

A DUI conviction in Arizona comes with several fines and other punishments. Even a first time offender will have to pay various fines, including \$250 as a base fine, a \$200 surcharge, \$500 for a prison construction assessment, and another \$500 for an additional DUI assessment. Jail time for a first time DUI conviction can range from 1-10 days, with a license suspension of 90-360 days. In addition, the court may order the offender to install an <u>ignition interlock device</u> at their own expense.

The punishments and fines only increase if you're caught <u>driving drunk in Arizona</u> a second time. The fines more than double, additional classes and community service projects are required, and license suspension is extended for a longer period of time.

If you're under the age of 21 and are caught driving after having any amount of alcohol, you face harsher punishments due to Arizona's zero tolerance law. You can expect your license to be suspended for two years plus additional fines, and possible jail time.

No matter what age, if you're pulled over for a DUI, you'll want to call an experienced Arizona DUI lawyer. <u>Tip:</u> If you get pulled over and have been drinking, you have the legal right to skip the sobriety test and take only the breathalyzer test. We recommend that you do this if you're ever pulled over for a DUI.

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