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## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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March 15, 2018

The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 2135, an Act relating to the failure to wear a motor vehicle safety belt or safety harness.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

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cc:

Secretary of the Senate

Clerk of the House



Senate File 2135

## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE FAILURE TO WEAR A MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY BELT OR SAFETY HARNESS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 321.445, subsection 4, paragraph b, subparagraph (2), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

(2) If the evidence supports such a finding, the trier of fact may find that the plaintiff's failure to wear a safety belt or safety harness in violation of this section contributed to the plaintiff's claimed injury or injuries, and may reduce the amount of plaintiff's recovery by an amount not to exceed

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five twenty-five percent of the damages awarded after any reductions for comparative fault. JACK WHITVER Speaker of the House President of the Senate I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2135, Eighty-seventh General Assembly.

Approved March 15th, 2018

KIM REYNOLD

W. CHARLES SMITHSON

Secretary of the Senate

Governor