

## CHAPTER 203

## POSSESSION OF TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES

H. F. 534

AN ACT relating to unauthorized possession of official traffic-control devices.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter two hundred seventy-five (275), section one (1),  
2 Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly, amending section three hun-  
3 dred twenty-one point two hundred sixty (321.260), Code 1966, is amend-  
4 ed by adding thereto the following:  
5 "It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession any offi-  
6 cial traffic-control device except by reason of his employment. Any person  
7 convicted of unauthorized possession of any official traffic-control device  
8 shall upon conviction be punished as provided in section three hundred  
9 twenty-one point four hundred eighty-two (321.482) of the Code."

Approved May 19, 1969.

## CHAPTER 204

## OPERATION OF MOTORCYCLES

H. F. 319

AN ACT relating to the operation of motorcycles.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Every person operating a motorcycle shall be granted all  
2 of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driv-  
3 er of any other vehicle except those rights and duties which by their nature  
4 can have no application.
- 1 SEC. 2. A person operating a motorcycle shall ride only upon the per-  
2 manent and regular attached seat thereto, and such operator shall not  
3 carry any other person nor shall any other person ride on a motorcycle  
4 unless such motorcycle is designed to carry more than one person, in which  
5 event a passenger may ride upon the permanent and regular seat if designed  
6 for two persons, or upon another seat firmly attached to the motorcycle at  
7 the rear of the operator.
- 1 SEC. 3. A person shall ride upon a motorcycle only when sitting  
2 astride the seat, facing forward with one leg on either side of the motor-  
3 cycle.
- 1 SEC. 4. No person shall operate a motorcycle while carrying any  
2 package, bundle, or other article which prevents him from keeping both  
3 hands on the handlebars.
- 1 SEC. 5. No operator shall carry any person, nor shall any other person  
2 ride, in a position that will interfere with the operation or control of the  
3 motorcycle or the view of the operator.

1 SEC. 6. All motorcycles are entitled to full use of a lane and no  
2 motor vehicle shall be driven in such a manner as to deprive any motor-  
3 cycle of the full use of a lane with the exception that this shall not apply  
4 to motorcycles operated two abreast in a single lane.

1 SEC. 7. The operator of a motorcycle shall not overtake and pass in  
2 the same lane occupied by the vehicle being overtaken.

1 SEC. 8. No person shall operate a motorcycle between lanes of traffic or  
2 between adjacent lines or rows of vehicles.

1 SEC. 9. Motorcycles shall not be operated more than two abreast in a  
2 single lane.

1 SEC. 10. Any motorcycle carrying a person other than in a sidecar or  
2 enclosed cab shall be equipped with foot rests for such passenger.

1 SEC. 11. No person shall operate any motorcycle with handlebars  
2 more than fifteen inches in height above that portion of the seat occupied  
3 by the operator.

1 SEC. 12. The above regulations in regard to motorcycles shall not  
2 apply to motorcycles or motor scooters when used in a parade authorized by  
3 proper permit from local authorities.

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## CHAPTER 205

### OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE INTOXICATED

#### H. F. 207

AN ACT relating to the operation of a motor vehicle while the operator of a vehicle is under the influence of alcoholic beverages or other substances, or a combination of such substances, which prevent the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred  
2 eighty-one (321.281), Code 1966, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking lines one (1) through seven (7), inclusive, and inserting in  
4 lieu thereof the following:

5 "Whoever operates a motor vehicle upon the public highways of this  
6 state while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, a narcotic, hyp-  
7 notic or other drug, or any combination of such substances shall, upon con-  
8 viction or a plea of guilty, be punished for the first offense by a fine of not  
9 less than three hundred".

10 2. By striking lines thirty-nine (39) and forty (40) and inserting in lieu  
11 thereof the following:

12 "shall not be less than one hundred twenty days for conviction of a  
13 first offense of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of an al-  
14 coholic beverage, a narcotic, hypnotic or other drug, or any combination  
15 of such substances; of not less than two hundred forty days for conviction  
16 of a second offense of such charge; and not less than one year for conviction