

42 6. A snowmobile shall not be operated on or across a public high-  
43 way by a person under sixteen years of age.

1 SEC. 10. Whenever any snowmobile is involved in an accident re-  
2 sulting in injury or death to anyone or property damage amounting to  
3 fifty dollars or more, either the operator or someone acting for him  
4 shall immediately notify the county sheriff or another law enforcement  
5 agency in the state. The operator shall file with the commission a  
6 report of the accident, within forty-eight hours, containing such in-  
7 formation as the commission may require.

1 SEC. 11. A snowmobile shall not be operated without suitable and  
2 effective muffling devices except when being operated or used in an  
3 organized race or exhibition.

1 SEC. 12. Every snowmobile shall be equipped with at least one  
2 head lamp and one tail lamp, and with brakes which conform to stand-  
3 ards prescribed by the commissioner of public safety.

1 SEC. 13. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate  
2 any snowmobile:

3 1. At a rate of speed greater than reasonable or proper under all  
4 existing circumstances.

5 2. In a careless, reckless, or negligent manner so as to endanger  
6 the person or property of another or to cause injury or damage there-  
7 to.

8 3. While under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotics or  
9 habit-forming drugs.

10 4. Without a lighted headlight and tail light when required for  
11 safety.

12 5. In any tree nursery or planting in a manner which damages or  
13 destroys growing stock.

14 6. With any firearms in the vehicle, except in the possession of a  
15 peace officer.

1 SEC. 14. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Act  
2 or any regulation of the commission or commissioner of public safety  
3 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished by a fine of not more  
4 than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than  
5 ninety days.

Approved March 4, 1970.

## CHAPTER 1159

### MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS

#### S. F. 594

AN ACT relating to fees charged for licenses of motor vehicle manufacturers, distribu-  
tors, wholesalers, factory representatives, and distributor branch representatives.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-two point twenty-nine  
2 (322.29), Code 1966, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking from line eighteen (18) the word "five" and insert-  
4 ing in lieu thereof the word "ten".

5 2. By striking from line twenty (20) the word "five" and inserting  
6 in lieu thereof the word "ten".

7 3. By striking from line twenty-two (22) the word "two" and in-  
8 serting in lieu thereof the word "five".

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred twenty-two point five (322.5), Code  
2 1966, is hereby amended by striking from line three (3) the word  
3 "twenty-six" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thirty-five".

1 SEC. 3. Section three hundred twenty-two point twelve (322.12),  
2 Code 1966, is hereby amended by striking from line thirteen (13)  
3 the word "fiscal" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "calendar  
4 year on account of fees applicable to that calendar".

Approved April 14, 1970.

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## CHAPTER 1160

### MOTOR VEHICLE FRANCHISORS

H. F. 1137

AN ACT to provide for fair trade practices by motor vehicle franchisors.

WHEREAS, the sale and distribution of motor vehicles is affected with a public interest, and it is recognized that a significant factor of inducement in the making of a sale of a motor vehicle is the trust and confidence of the purchaser in the retail dealer from whom the purchase is made, and the expectancy that he will remain in business to provide service for the motor vehicle purchased; and

WHEREAS, it is further recognized that proper motor vehicle service is important to highway safety, and the manufacturer and distributor of motor vehicles have an obligation to the public not to terminate or refuse to continue their franchise agreements with retail dealers unless and until the manufacturer or distributor has first established good cause for termination or noncontinuance of any such agreement and in the event that good cause is established, then to also establish that on termination or noncontinuance another dealership in the same line-make will be opened in the same community to the end that there shall be no diminution of locally available service or in the alternative to establish that the community cannot reasonably be expected to support such a dealership; and

WHEREAS, it is also recognized that the opening of additional dealerships of any line-make which is at that time represented in a community may adversely affect the ability of all dealerships of all product lines to provide efficient and proper motor vehicle service in the community and, therefore, additional dealerships should not be opened in a community unless it is first established that there is good cause therefor; NOW  
THEREFORE,