

## CHAPTER 1173

### CONVICTED DRUG OFFENDERS AND DRIVER'S LICENSE REVOCATION, SUSPENSION, ISSUANCE, OR REINSTATEMENT

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**A JOINT RESOLUTION** opposing a law of this state relating to the revocation, suspension, issuance, or reinstatement of driver's licenses to convicted drug offenders, and including effective date provisions.

WHEREAS, 23 U.S.C. §159 and 23 C.F.R. pt. 192 require each state to annually certify the state's compliance with 23 U.S.C. §159 to the secretary of the United States department of transportation and authorize the secretary to annually withhold federal highway funds if a state does not meet the requirements set forth in 23 U.S.C. §159(a)(3); and

WHEREAS, 23 U.S.C. §159(a)(3)(B) provides that a state may demonstrate compliance if the governor of the state submits to the secretary a written certification stating that the governor is opposed to the enactment or enforcement in the state of a law that meets the requirements of a law described in 23 U.S.C. §159(a)(3)(A), relating to the revocation, suspension, issuance, or reinstatement of driver's licenses to convicted drug offenders, and further submits to the secretary a written certification that the state's legislature has adopted a resolution expressing its opposition to such a law; and

WHEREAS, the general assembly finds that enforcement of a law in this state that meets the requirements of a law described in 23 U.S.C. §159(a)(3)(A) is unrelated to, and does not promote, highway safety; is an unnecessary obstacle to the mobility, employability, and rehabilitation of convicted drug offenders; is an unnecessary use of state resources; and should be opposed; NOW THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. OPPOSITION TO IOWA LAW. The general assembly, by this joint resolution, states its opposition to a law in this state that meets the requirements of a law described in 23 U.S.C. §159(a)(3)(A), relating to the revocation, suspension, issuance, or reinstatement of driver's licenses to convicted drug offenders.

Sec. 2. DISTRIBUTION. A copy of this Joint Resolution shall be distributed to the governor.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Joint Resolution, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Effective March 21, 2018