

House Study Bill 531 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON PAUSTIAN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act regarding driving privileges of persons issued a special
2 minor's driver's license who reside or are employed on a
3 farm, and making penalties applicable.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.194, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
2 2020, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

3 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (03) If the licensee resides on a farm
4 or is employed for compensation on a farm in this state,
5 the licensee may operate a motor vehicle during the hours
6 of 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the purpose of assisting the
7 person's parents, guardians, or employers with farm work or in
8 connection with any farm job, employment, or other farm-related
9 work, including traveling to or from the location of the farm
10 work, provided the driving distance between the point of origin
11 and the destination is no more than fifty miles.

12 Sec. 2. Section 321.194, subsection 2, paragraph a,
13 subparagraph (3), Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

14 (3) To a service station for the purpose of refueling, so
15 long as the service station is the station closest to the route
16 on which the licensee is traveling under subparagraph (1), ~~or~~
17 (2), or (03).

18 EXPLANATION

19 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
20 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

21 Under current law, a person holding a special minor's
22 driver's license is allowed to operate a motor vehicle during
23 the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. between the licensee's
24 residence, schools of enrollment, bus stops, and sites,
25 facilities, or schools designated by the licensee's district
26 or school of enrollment for the accommodation of the school's
27 extracurricular activities, with certain limitations. This
28 bill allows a person holding a special minor's driver's license
29 who resides on a farm or is employed for compensation on a
30 farm in this state to operate a motor vehicle during the hours
31 of 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the purpose of assisting the
32 person's parents, guardians, or employers with farm work or in
33 connection with any farm job, employment, or other farm-related
34 work, including traveling to or from the location of the farm
35 work, provided the driving distance between the point of origin

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1 and the destination is no more than 50 miles. The bill also
2 allows a licensee to operate a motor vehicle to a service
3 station along the associated routes.
4 A violation of Code section 321.194 is punishable by a
5 scheduled fine of \$50.