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Vote: Ayes 43 Nays 4 Vote: Ayes 92 Nays 1  
Approved May 26, 1989

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to school bus driver education requirements.  
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 321.376, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code  
2 1989, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in  
3 lieu thereof the following:

4 A person applying for a school bus driver's permit for the  
5 first time shall have enrolled in and successfully completed  
6 an approved course of instruction for school bus drivers, as  
7 programmed by the department of education, before a permit may  
8 be issued by the department. Certification of course  
9 completion shall be submitted to the department of education,  
10 prior to issuance of a permit, by an authorized program  
11 instructor on forms provided by the department of education.

12 A person applying for employment or employed as a school  
13 bus driver shall successfully complete a course of instruction  
14 for school bus drivers before or within the first six months  
15 of employment. If an employee fails to provide an employer  
16 with a certificate of completion of an approved school bus  
17 driver's course within the first six months of employment as a  
18 school bus driver, the driver's employer shall report the  
19 failure to the department and the employee's school bus  
20 driver's permit shall be revoked. The department shall send  
21 notice of the revocation of the employee's permit to both the  
22 employee and the employer. A person whose school bus driver's  
23 permit has been revoked under this section shall not be issued  
24 a school bus driver's permit until certification of the  
25 completion of an approved school bus driver's course is  
26 received by the department.

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#### EXPLANATION

28 This bill requires that all new applicants for school bus  
29 driver's permits complete an approved school bus driver  
30 course. All persons seeking employment as a school bus driver  
31 must also complete such a course before or within the first  
32 six months of employment, or their permits will be revoked  
33 until the course is completed. The provision permitting  
34 sixteen and seventeen-year-olds to obtain a special  
35 chauffeur's license and operate a school bus on the request of

1 a local school board and the recommendation of the director of  
2 the department of education is stricken.

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A person applying for employment or employed as a school bus driver shall successfully complete a course of instruction for school bus drivers before or within the first six months of employment. If an employee fails to provide an employer with a certificate of completion of an approved school bus driver's course within the first six months of employment as a school bus driver, the driver's employer shall report the failure to the department and the employee's school bus driver's permit shall be revoked. The department shall send notice of the revocation of the employee's permit to both the employee and the employer. A person whose school bus driver's permit has been revoked under this section shall not be issued a school bus driver's permit until certification of the

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JO ANN ZIMMERMAN  
President of the Senate

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DONALD D. AVENSON  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 295, Seventy-third General Assembly.

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JOHN F. DWYER  
Secretary of the Senate

Approved *May 26* 1989

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TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
Governor

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