CHAPTER 109 RADAR JAMMING DEVICES PROHIBITED S. F. 235

AN ACT to prohibit the possession and operation of a radar jamming device and providing a penalty.

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

Section 1. Chapter 321, Code 1981, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. RADAR JAMMING DEVICES -- PENALTY.

- 1. A person shall not sell, operate or possess a radar jamming device, except as otherwise provided in this section, when the device is in a vehicle operated on the highways of this state or the device is held for sale in this state.
- 2. This section does not apply to radar speed measuring devices purchased by, held for purchase for, or operated by peace officers using the devices in their official duties.
- 3. A radar jamming device may be seized by a peace officer subject to forfeiture as provided by chapter 809.
- 4. For the purposes of this section "radar jamming device" means any mechanism designed or used to transmit radio waves in the electromagnetic wave spectrum to interfere with the reception of those emitted from a device used by peace officers of this state to measure the speed of motor vehicles on the highways of this state and which is not designed for two-way transmission and cannot transmit in plain language.
- Sec. 2. Section 805.8, Code 1981, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. For violation of section 1 of this Act, the scheduled fine is ten dollars.

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