

CHAPTER 1063**EXEMPTION FROM MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY RULES***H.F. 2001*

AN ACT extending an exemption from federal motor carrier safety regulations for medically unqualified drivers and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 321.449, unnumbered paragraph 5, Code Supplement 1995, is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, rules adopted under this section concerning physical and medical qualifications for drivers of commercial vehicles engaged in intrastate commerce shall not be construed as disqualifying any individual who was employed as a driver of commercial vehicles engaged in intrastate commerce whose physical or medical condition existed prior to ~~January 1, 1988~~ July 29, 1996.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Approved April 4, 1996

CHAPTER 1064**STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION PLANNING REQUIREMENTS***H.F. 2207*

AN ACT relating to the state transportation commission's planning process and federal funding.

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

Section 1. Section 307A.2, subsection 12, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:

12. Prepare, adopt and cause to be published a long-range program for the primary road system, in conjunction with the state transportation plan adopted by the commission. Such program shall be prepared for a period of at least five years and shall be revised, brought up to date and republished at least once every year in order to have a continuing five-year program. The program shall include, insofar as such estimates can be made, an estimate of the money expected to become available during the period covered by the program and a statement of the construction, maintenance, and other work planned to be performed during such period. The commission shall conduct periodic reinspections of the primary roads in order to revise, from time to time, its estimates of future needs to conform to the physical and service conditions of the primary roads. The commission shall annually cause to be published a sufficiency rating report showing the relative conditions of the primary roads. Before the last day of December of each year, the commission shall adopt and cause to be published from its long-range program, a plan of improvements to be accomplished during the next calendar year. However, in years when the federal government is reauthorizing federal highway funding, the commission shall not be required to adopt and publish the annual plan of improvements to be accomplished until at least ninety days from the enactment of the new federal funding formula. This annual program shall list definite projects in order of urgency and shall include a reasonable year's work with the funds estimated to be available. The annual program shall be final and followed

by the commission in the next year except that deviations may be made in case of disaster or other unforeseen emergencies or difficulties. The relative urgency of the proposed improvements shall be determined by a consideration of the physical condition, safety, and service characteristics of the various primary roads.

Approved April 4, 1996

CHAPTER 1065

REGISTRATION PLATES – MOTOR TRUCKS AND TRUCK TRACTORS

H.F. 2113

AN ACT providing for a permanent registration plate for motor trucks and truck tractors licensed pursuant to multistate registration.

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

Section 1. Section 321.34, subsection 4, Code Supplement 1995, is amended to read as follows:

4. **MULTIYEAR PLATES.** In lieu of issuing annual registration plates for trailers, ~~and semitrailers, motor trucks, and truck tractors,~~ the department may issue a multiyear registration plate for a three-year period or a permanent registration plate for trailers and semitrailers licensed under chapter 326, and a permanent registration plate for motor trucks and truck tractors licensed under chapter 326, upon payment of the appropriate registration fee. ~~Payment of fees to the department for trailers and semitrailers for a permanent registration plate shall, at the option of the registrant, be made at five-year intervals or on an annual basis. Fees from three-year and five-year payments shall not be reduced or prorated.~~ Payment of fees for motor trucks and truck tractors shall be made on an annual basis.

Approved April 8, 1996

CHAPTER 1066

MOTOR FUEL AND SPECIAL FUEL TAXATION AND REGULATION

H.F. 2140

AN ACT relating to the motor vehicle fuel tax law and providing effective and retroactive applicability dates.

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

Section 1. Section 321.19, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 3, Code Supplement 1995, is amended to read as follows:

~~Section 452A.3 and chapter Chapter 326 are~~ is not applicable to urban transit companies or systems.

Sec. 2. Section 452A.2, subsections 2, 15, and 21, Code Supplement 1995, are amended to read as follows: