

SENATE/HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED JUDICIAL BRANCH
BILL)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to electronic notification of driver's license
2 suspension procedures for failure to pay any fine, penalty,
3 surcharge, or court costs upon conviction for a motor
4 vehicle operation offense.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.210A, subsection 1, paragraph a,
2 Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. Upon the failure of a person to timely pay the fine,
4 penalty, surcharge, or court costs, the clerk of the district
5 court shall notify the person by regular mail, or by electronic
6 notice if the person consents, that if the fine, penalty,
7 surcharge, or court costs remain unpaid after sixty days from
8 the date of mailing or the date of the electronic notice, the
9 clerk will notify the department of the failure for purposes of
10 instituting suspension procedures.

11 EXPLANATION

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

14 This bill relates to electronic notification of driver's
15 license suspension procedures for failure to pay any fine,
16 penalty, surcharge, or court costs upon conviction for a motor
17 vehicle operation offense.

18 Under current law, the department of transportation shall
19 suspend the driver's license of a person who, upon conviction
20 of violating a law regulating the operation of a motor vehicle,
21 has failed to pay any fine, penalty, surcharge, or court costs.
22 The bill allows the clerk of the district court to notify the
23 person by electronic notice if the person consents, that if
24 the fine, penalty, surcharge, or court costs remain unpaid
25 after 60 days from the date of the electronic notice, the clerk
26 will notify the department of that failure for purposes of
27 instituting license suspension procedures.