

January 21, 1965. *Pass 7/4*
Transportation.

House File 29
By SCHERLE, MILLER of Page,
OSSIAN and EDGINGTON.

Passed House, Date *2-23-65*

Passed Senate, Date *5/13*

Vote: Ayes *112* Nays *14*

Vote: Ayes *51* Nays *4*

Approved *May 21, 1965*
passed house as amended 5/17/65
transportation be amended
+ pass 5/4

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the equipment of motor vehicles with safety belts.

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

- 1 Section 1. Chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code
- 2 1962, is amended by adding the following new section:
- 3 "Every new motor vehicle other than a motorcycle,
- 4 registered in this state after January 1, 1966, shall be
- 5 equipped with safety belts, of a design approved by the
- 6 commissioner of public safety, for use by the operator and
- 7 one front seat passenger."

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 29

The purpose of this bill is to provide a measure of safety to the individual operating riding in a motor vehicle. This bill has been advocated by state and national organizations.

HOUSE FILE 29

- 1 Amend House File 29 by adding thereto the following new
- 2 sections:
- 3 "Sec. 2. The fact of use, or non-use, of seat belts by
- 4 a person shall not be admissible or material as evidence
- 5 in civil actions brought for damages.
- 6 Sec. 3. Failure to use seat belts installed in a motor
- 7 vehicle shall not be a crime or a public offense."

adopted 2/23

Filed
February 11, 1965.

DOYLE of Woodbury.

HOUSE FILE 29

1 Amend House File 29 by striking all after the enacting
 2 clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
 3 Section 1. Chapter three hundred twenty-one (321),
 4 Code 1962, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following
 5 sections:
 6 1. "Every new or used car, light delivery truck, panel
 7 delivery truck, pickup or school bus, 1962 model or newer,
 8 sold or offered for sale by any dealer and every new or used
 9 car, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup or
 10 school bus, 1966 model or newer, sold, offered for sale, or
 11 subject to registration in Iowa, shall be equipped with at least
 12 two (2) sets of safety belts or safety harnesses installed for
 13 use in the front seat of such vehicle; however, when a light
 14 delivery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup or school bus
 15 has only an operator's seat, such vehicle need be equipped
 16 with only one (1) safety belt or safety harness installed for
 17 use by the operator thereof. The safety belts or safety
 18 harnesses required shall not be removed unless replaced with
 19 approved safety belts or safety harnesses as long as the
 20 vehicle is subject to registration.
 21 2. "All safety belts and safety harnesses installed
 22 for use in any motor vehicle where such safety equipment is
 23 required shall be of a size to accommodate an adult person
 24 and shall be designed and installed for use in a manner to
 25 prevent or substantially reduce the movement of the person
 26 using the safety equipment in the event of a collision or
 27 accident.
 28 3. "All safety belts and safety harnesses installed for
 29 use in any motor vehicle as required under this Act shall be
 30 of a type and shall be installed in a manner approved by the
 31 commissioner."

adopted and amended 2/23

Filed
February 18, 1965.

O'MALLEY of Polk.

HOUSE FILE 29

1 Amend the amendment to House File 29 filed by O'Malley on Feb-
 2 ruary 18, 1965 as follows:
 3 1. By striking all of lines six (6) and seven (7) and that
 4 part of line eight (8) to and including the word "and".
 5 2. Further amend the O'Malley amendment by striking in line
 6 eight (8) the word "every" and inserting in lieu thereof the
 7 following: "1. Every".

adopted 2/23

Filed
February 22, 1965.

GANNON of Jasper.

HOUSE FILE 29

1 Amend the O'Malley amendment to House File 29, filed
 2 February 18, 1965, by striking in line thirty (30) the first
 3 word "a" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "any
 4 approved".

Filed and adopted
February 23, 1965.

MILLER of Des Moines.

HOUSE FILE 29
(Committee Amendment)

1 Amend House File 29 by inserting in line 6 after the word "Iowa"
 2 the words: "except commercial vehicles registered with the commerce
 3 commission."

house concurred 5/17

Filed
May 4, 1965

By COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION,
MERLE W. HAGEDORN, Chairman.

HOUSE FILE 29

1 Amend House File 29 by striking from lines four and five the
 2 words "light delivery truck, panel delivery truck,".
 3 Further amend by striking from line nine the words "light
 4 delivery truck, panel delivery truck,".

Filed and adopted
May 13, 1965.

house concurred 5/17

By LANGE.

HOUSE FILE 29

1 Amend line 5 of House File 29 to read 1962 instead of
 2 1966.

Filed and lost
May 13, 1965.

By KRUCK.