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By TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to authority of the commissioner of public safety to establish equipment safety regulations pertaining to motor carriers.

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

- 1 Section 1. "Motor carrier" when used in this Act means carriers
- 2 holding a certificate under chapter three hundred twenty-five (325)
- 3 of the Code, truck operators and contract carriers holding permits
- 4 under chapter three hundred twenty-seven (327) of the Code, liquid
- 5 transport carriers holding a certificate under chapter three hundred
- 6 twenty-seven A (327A) of the Code, and private carriers.
- 1 Sec. 2. In addition to the requirements set forth in chapter
- 2 three hundred twenty-one (321) of the Code, the commissioner of
- 3 public safety, in order to promote safety of operation, shall
- 4 establish reasonable requirements prescribing standards of equip-
- 5 ment for vehicles operated by motor carriers on the highways of
- 6 this state pertaining to the following:
 - 7 1. Lighting devices, reflectors, and electrical equipment.
 - 8 2. Brakes.
 - 9 3. Glazing and window construction.
 - 10 4. Fuel systems.
 - 11 5. Coupling devices and towing methods.
 - 12 6. Emergency equipment.
 - 13 7. The following miscellaneous parts and accessories:
 - 14 a. Tires.

- 15 b. Heaters.
- 16 c. Windshield wiper.
- 17 d. Defrosting device.
- 18 e. Rear vision mirrors.
- 19 f. Horn.
- 20 g. Speedometer.
- 21 h. Exhaust system location.
- 22 i. Floors.
- 23 j. Protection against shifting cargo.
- 24 k. Rear end protection.
- 25 l. Flags on projecting loads.
- 26 m. Television receivers.
- 27 n. Buses, drive shaft protection.
- 28 o. Buses, standee line or bar.
- 29 p. Buses, aisle seats.
- 30 q. Buses, marking emergency doors.

1 Sec. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any
2 vehicle subject to the standards prescribed by the commissioner
3 on the highways of this state in violation of such standards.

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 634

The value of motor vehicle equipment in good working order cannot be over estimated. This bill proposes to give the commissioner of public safety authority to establish rules and regulations governing the equipment of motor carriers. Interstate commerce commission federal regulations serve as the basis for this proposal.