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Place On Calendar

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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Vote: Ayes 86 Nays 10 Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 1

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act to allow the operation of articulated buses not
2 exceeding sixty-one feet in length on the public streets
3 and highways.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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2 Code Supplement 1983, is amended to read as follows:
3 b. A single bus, unladen or with load, shall not have
4 an overall length, inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in
5 excess of forty feet, except that buses constructed so as
6 to contain a flexible part allowing articulation shall not
7 exceed sixty-one feet.

8 EXPLANATION

9 Under current law, buses with a maximum length not exceeding
10 forty feet are allowed to operate on the public streets and
11 highways. The bill permits the operation of sixty-one foot
12 long articulated buses which will allow public transit systems
13 to purchase these vehicles for use on certain routes. An
14 articulated sixty-one foot bus is capable of carrying seventy-
15 five persons while the forty-foot bus is capable of
16 transporting a maximum of fifty-three persons. The bill takes
17 effect July 1 following enactment.

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DONALD D. AVENSON
Speaker of the House

ROBERT T. ANDERSON
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
is known as House File 2232, Seventieth General Assembly.

JOSEPH O'HERN
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 4-16, 1984

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor