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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 248)

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Vote: Ayes 49 Nays 0

Vote: Ayes 100 Nays 0

Approved April 27, 1993

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SF 374

1 Section 1. Section 321.196, Code 1993, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 321.196 EXPIRATION OF LICENSE -- RENEWAL----~~VISION-TEST-OR~~
4 ~~REPORT-MANDATORY~~.

5 Except as otherwise provided, a motor vehicle license,
6 other than an instruction permit, chauffeur's instruction
7 permit, or commercial driver's instruction permit issued under
8 section 321.180, expires, at the option of the applicant, two
9 or four years from the licensee's birthday anniversary
10 occurring in the year of issuance if the licensee is between
11 the ages of seventeen years eleven months and seventy years on
12 the date of issuance of the license. If the licensee is under
13 the age of seventeen years eleven months or age seventy or
14 over the license is effective for a period of two years from
15 the licensee's birthday anniversary occurring in the year of
16 issuance. Except as required in section 321.188, a motor
17 vehicle license is renewable without written examination or
18 penalty within a period of sixty days after its expiration
19 date. A person shall not be considered to be driving with an
20 invalid license during a period of sixty days following the
21 license expiration date. However, for a license renewed
22 within the sixty-day period, the date of issuance shall be
23 considered to be the previous birthday anniversary on which it
24 expired. Applicants whose licenses are restricted due to
25 vision or other physical deficiencies may be required to renew
26 their licenses every two years. For the purposes of this
27 section the birthday anniversary of a person born on February
28 29 shall be deemed to occur on March 1. The department in its
29 discretion may authorize the renewal of a valid motor vehicle
30 license other than a commercial driver's license upon
31 application without an examination provided that the applicant
32 either satisfactorily passes a vision test as prescribed by
33 the department, or files a vision report in accordance with
34 section 321.186A which shows that the applicant's visual
35 acuity level meets or exceeds those required by the

1 department, or is eligible for renewal by mail pursuant to
2 rules adopted by the department. The department may assess an
3 applicant a fee of no more than one dollar for administration
4 and mailing expenses for providing for renewal of the
5 applicant's driver's license by mail.

6 Any resident of Iowa holding a valid motor vehicle license
7 who is temporarily absent from the state, or incapacitated,
8 may, at the time for renewal for such license, apply to the
9 department for a temporary extension of the license. The
10 department upon receipt of the application shall, upon a
11 showing of good cause, issue a temporary extension of the
12 motor vehicle license for a period not to exceed six months.

13 Sec. 2. Section 321A.3, subsection 1, Code 1993, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 1. The department shall upon request furnish any person a
16 certified abstract of the operating record of a person subject
17 to chapter 321, 321J, or this chapter. The abstract shall
18 also fully designate the motor vehicles, if any, registered in
19 the name of the person. If there is no record of a conviction
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21 operation of a motor vehicle or of any injury or damage caused
22 by the person, the department shall so certify. A fee of five
23 dollars shall be paid for each abstract except by state,
24 county, city, or court, or public transit system officials.
25 The department shall transfer the moneys collected under this
26 section to the treasurer of state who shall credit to the
27 general fund all moneys collected.

28 EXPLANATION

29 The bill permits the state department of transportation to
30 adopt rules providing for the renewal of a driver's license by
31 mail. The bill allows the department to assess no more than
32 \$1 for expenses involved in renewal by mail. The bill
33 provides that renewal by mail can be accomplished without
34 requiring a vision test or report.

35 The bill also exempts public transit system officials from

1 the \$5 fee for a certified copy of an abstract of an operating
2 record of a person subject to chapters 321, 321A, or 321J.

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H-3738

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- 4 dollar" and inserting the following: "two dollars".
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- 7 inserting the following: "concerning renewal of
- 8 driver's licenses by mail."

Adopted 4-13-93 By COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
 H-3738 FILED APRIL 6, 1993 *(P. 1207)* SPENNER of Henry, Chairperson

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO
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Senate Concurred 4/20/93 RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE
 S-3488 FILED APRIL 14, 1993 *(P. 1246)*

**SENATE FILE 374
FISCAL NOTE**

A fiscal note for Senate File 374 as amended by H-3738 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

Senate File 374 as amended by H-3738 permits the Department of Transportation (DOT) to adopt rules providing for renewal of drivers licenses by mail and allows the DOT to charge an administrative fee not to exceed \$2.00 for mail-in license renewals.

Assumptions

1. There will be 154,000 persons eligible for mail-in license renewals per year.
2. The DOT will charge an administrative fee to cover the estimated costs for each mail-in license renewal.

Fiscal Effect

If the DOT charges a \$2.00 administrative fee, this legislation will generate approximately \$308,000 to the Road Use Tax Fund. However, the DOT may set a lower fee (through administrative rules) to only cover the cost of this program.

It is estimated this legislation will cost \$218,000 annually for the cost of programming, postage, and forms necessary for implementing drivers license renewal by mail. Senate File 232, the Transportation and Safety Appropriations bill, currently includes \$218,000 in funding for the DOT to implement this legislation.

Source: Department of Transportation

(LSB 2380sv.2, DLR)

FILED APRIL 8, 1993

BY DENNIS PROUTY, FISCAL DIRECTOR

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FILED MARCH 23, 1993

BY DENNIS PROUTY, FISCAL DIRECTOR

LLOYD-JONES, CH.
DIELEMAN
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SSB 248
TRANSPORTATION

SENATE FILE 374
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON LLOYD-JONES)

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Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____ Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____
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LEONARD L. BOSWELL
President of the Senate

HAROLD VAN MAANEN
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 374, Seventy-fifth General Assembly.

JOHN F. DWYER
Secretary of the Senate

Approved April 27, 1993

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor