Senate Study Bill 118

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Section 1. Section 321.1, subsection 11, Code 1995, is
1 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph and relettering
  3 the remaining paragraphs:
       NEW PARAGRAPH. d. "Commercial motor carrier" means a
1 5 person responsible for the safe operation of a commercial
  6 motor vehicle.
       Sec. 2. Section 321.12, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1995,
1 8 is amended to read as follows:
       The director shall destroy any operating records pertaining
1 10 to arrests or convictions for operating while intoxicated, in
1 11 violation of section 321J.2, which are more than twelve years
1 12 old. The twelve-year period shall commence with the date of
1 13 the arrest or conviction for the offense, whichever first
1 14 occurs. However, the director shall not destroy operating
1 15 records which pertain to arrests or convictions for operating
1 16 while intoxicated after the expiration of twelve years when
1 17 the motor vehicle being operated was a commercial motor
1 18 vehicle or if all of the provisions of the court order have
1 19 not been satisfied.
       Sec. 3. Section 321.30, Code 1995, is amended by adding
1 21 the following new subsection:
       NEW SUBSECTION. 12. If a commercial motor vehicle has
1 23 been assigned to be operated by a commercial motor carrier
1 24 whose ability to operate has been terminated or denied by a
1 25 federal agency.
        Sec. 4. Section 321.101, Code 1995, is amended by adding
1 27 the following new subsection:
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       NEW SUBSECTION. 8A. If a commercial motor vehicle has
1 29 been assigned to be operated by a commercial motor carrier
1 30 whose ability to operate has been terminated or denied by a
1 31 federal agency.
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       Sec. 5. Section 321.208, Code 1995, is amended by adding
1 33 the following new subsection:
       NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. A person is disqualified from
1 35 operating a commercial motor vehicle:
       a. For ninety days upon conviction for the first violation
  2 of an out-of-service order; for one year, upon conviction for
  3 a second violation of an out-of-service order in separate
  4 incidents within a ten-year period; and for not less than
  5 three and not more than five years upon conviction for a third
  6 or subsequent violation of an out-of-service order in separate
  7 incidents within a ten-year period.
       b. For one year upon conviction for the first violation
2 9 and for not less than three years and not more than five years
2 10 upon conviction for a second or subsequent violation of an
2 11 out-of-service order while transporting hazardous materials
2 12 required to be placarded, or while operating a commercial
2 13 motor vehicle designed to transport more than fifteen
2 14 passengers including the driver.
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       Sec. 6. Section 321.208A, Code 1995, is amended to read as
2 16 follows:
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       321.208A TWENTY-FOUR HOUR OUT-OF-SERVICE ORDER.
     A person required to hold a commercial driver's license to
2 19 operate a commercial motor vehicle shall not operate a
2 20 commercial motor vehicle on the highways of this state in
2 21 violation of an out-of-service order issued by a peace officer
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2 22 for a violation of the out-of-service rules adopted by the
 2 23 department. An employer shall not allow an employee to drive
 2 24 a commercial motor vehicle in violation of such out-of-service
 2 25 order. The department shall adopt out-of-service rules which
 2 26 shall be consistent with 49 C.F.R. } 392.5 adopted as of a
 2 27 specific date by the department. A person who violates this
 2 28 section shall be subject to a penalty of one hundred dollars.
         Sec. 7. Section 321.213, Code 1995, is amended to read as
 2 30 follows:
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         321.213 LICENSE SUSPENSIONS OR REVOCATIONS DUE TO
 2 32 VIOLATIONS BY JUVENILE DRIVERS.
         Upon the entering of an order at the conclusion of an
 2 34 adjudicatory hearing under section 232.47 that the child
 2 35 violated a provision of this chapter or chapter 124, 126,
 3 1 321A, 321J, or 453B for which the penalty is greater than a
 3 2 simple misdemeanor, the clerk of the juvenile court in the
   3 adjudicatory hearing shall forward a copy of the adjudication
 3 4 to the department. Notwithstanding section 232.55, a final
 3 5 adjudication in a juvenile court that the child violated a
  3 6 provision of this chapter
    section 124.401, 124.402,
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-, chapter 124, a drug offense under section 126.3, or
 3 8 chapter 321A, 321J, or 453B constitutes a final conviction
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          124.403, a drug offense under
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 chapter 321A, 321J, or 453B

    for purposes of section 321.189,

 3 12 subsection 8, paragraph "b", and sections 321.193, 321.194,
 3 13 321.200, 321.209, 321.210, 321.215, 321.555, 321A.17, 321J.2,
 3 14 321J.3, and 321J.4. However, suspensions for violations of
 3 15 chapter 124, section 126.3, or chapter 453B shall be in
 3 16 accordance with section 321.213A.
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         Sec. 8. Section 321.213A, Code 1995, is amended to read as
 3 18 follows:
         321.213A LICENSE SUSPENSION FOR JUVENILES ADJUDICATED
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 3 20 DELINQUENT FOR CERTAIN DRUG OR ALCOHOL OFFENSES.
         Upon the entering of an order at the conclusion of a
 3 22 dispositional hearing under section 232.50, where the child
 3 23 has been adjudicated to have committed a delinquent act, which
 3 24 would be a first or subsequent violation of section 123.46,
 3 25 section 123.47 involving the purchase or attempt to purchase
 3 26 alcoholic beverages,
- chapter 124, <u>section 126.3</u>, <u>chapter</u>
 3 27 453B, or a second or subsequent violation of section 123.47
 3 28 regarding the possession of alcoholic beverages, the clerk of
 3 29 the juvenile court in the dispositional hearing shall forward
 3 30 a copy of the adjudication and dispositional order to the
 3 31 department. The department shall suspend the license or
 3 32 operating privilege of the child for one year. The child may
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3 33 receive a temporary restricted license as provided in section $3\ 34\ 321.215$.

35 Sec. 9. Section <u>321.215</u>, subsections 1 and 2, Code 1995, 1 are amended to read as follows:

- 2 1. The department, on application, may issue a temporary 3 restricted license to a person whose motor vehicle license is 4 suspended or revoked under this chapter, allowing the person 5 to drive to and from the person's home and specified places at 6 specified times which can be verified by the department and 7 which are required by any of the following:
 - a. The person's full-time or part-time employment.
- 4 9 b. The person's continuing health care or the continuing 4 10 health care of another who is dependent upon the person.
- 4 11 c. The person's continuing education while enrolled in an 4 12 educational institution on a part-time or full-time basis and 4 13 while pursuing a course of study leading to a diploma, degree, 4 14 or other certification of successful educational completion.
 - d. The person's substance abuse treatment.

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4 16 e. The person's court-ordered community service 4 17 responsibilities.

However, a temporary restricted license shall not be issued to a person whose license is revoked under section 321.205 for a drug or drug-related offense or under section 321.209, 21 subsections 1 through 5 or subsection 7 or 8 or to a juvenile whose license has been suspended under section 321.213A for a 23 violation of chapter 124 or 453B, or section 126.3. A 24 temporary restricted license may be issued to a person whose 25 license is revoked under section 321.209, subsection 6, only 26 if the person has no previous drag racing convictions. A 27 person holding a temporary restricted license issued by the 28 department under this section shall not operate a motor 29 vehicle for pleasure.

- 2. Upon conviction and the suspension or revocation of a person's motor vehicle license under section 321.205 for a drug or drug-related offense; 321.209, subsection 5, 6, or 8; 33 321.210; 321.210A; 321.513; or 321.555, subsection 2; or a juvenile, whose license has been suspended under section 35 321.213A for a violation of chapter 124 or 453B, or section 1 126.3, and upon the denial by the director of an application 5 for a temporary restricted license, a person may apply to the 3 district court having jurisdiction for the residence of the 4 person for a temporary restricted permit to operate a motor 5 vehicle for the limited purpose or purposes specified in 6 subsection 1. The application may be granted only if all of 7 the following criteria are satisfied:
- 5 8 a. The temporary restricted permit is requested only for a 5 9 case of extreme hardship or compelling circumstances where 5 10 alternative means of transportation do not exist.
- 5 11 b. The permit applicant has not made an application for a 5 12 temporary restricted permit in any district court in the state 5 13 which was denied.
- 5 14 c. The temporary restricted permit is restricted to the 5 15 limited purpose or purposes specified in subsection 1 at times 5 16 specified in the permit.
- 5 17 d. Proof of financial responsibility is established as 5 18 defined in chapter 321A. However, such proof is not required 5 19 if the motor vehicle license was suspended under section 5 20 321.210A or 321.513 or revoked under section 321.209, 5 21 subsection 8, or suspended or revoked under section 321.205 5 22 for a drug or drug-related offense.

The district court shall forward a record of each
the property restricted permit to the
department, together with the results of the disposition of
the request by the court. A temporary restricted permit is
valid only if the department is in receipt of records required
by this section.

Sec. 10. Section 321A.17, subsection 5, Code 1995, is

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5 30 amended to read as follows:
         5. An individual applying for a motor vehicle license
 5 32 following a period of suspension or revocation under section
 5 33 321.205 for a drug or drug-related offense, section 321.209,
 5 34 subsection 8, section 321.210, subsection 1, paragraph "d", or
 5 35 section 321.210A, <u>321.213A</u>, 321.213B, 321.216B, or 321.513, or
    1 following a period of suspension under section 321.194, is not
    2 required to maintain proof of financial responsibility under
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    3 this section.
         Sec. 11. Section 321J.4, subsection 2, Code 1995, is
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    5 amended to read as follows:
         2. If the court defers judgment pursuant to section 907.3
   7 for a violation of section 321J.2, the
       ghall order the
 6 8 department

    shall revoke the defendant's motor vehicle

 6 9 license or nonresident operating privilege for a period of not
 6 10 less than thirty days nor more than ninety days if the
 6 11 defendant's motor vehicle license or nonresident operating
 6 12 privilege has not been revoked under section 321J.9 or 321J.12
 6 13 or has not otherwise been revoked for the occurrence from
 6 14 which the arrest arose.
     court shall immediately require
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  held by the defendant, which the court shall
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 <del>department with a copy of the order deferring judgment.</del>
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                                 EXPLANATION
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         This bill defines the term "commercial motor carrier" to
 6 20 mean a person who is responsible for the safe operation of a
 6 21 commercial motor vehicle operated in interstate commerce. The
 6 22 bill allows for the department to refuse to issue a motor
 6 23 vehicle registration or certificate of title or to suspend or
 6 24 revoke the registration or certificate of title of a
 6 25 commercial motor vehicle operated by a commercial motor
 6 26 carrier whose ability to operate has been terminated or denied
 6 27 by a federal agency. A person is disqualified from operating
 6 28 a commercial motor vehicle for 90 days for the first violation
 6 29 of an out-of-service order, for one year for a second
 6 30 violation within 10 years, and for not less than three, and
 6 31 not more than five years, for a third subsequent violation
 6 32 within a 10-year period. In addition, a person who violates
 6 33 an out-of-service order while transporting hazardous materials
 6 34 required to be placarded or while operating a commercial motor
 6 35 vehicle designed to transport more than 15 passengers, is
    1 disqualified for one year for the first violation and for not
    2 less than three and not more than five for any subsequent
    3 violations. The bill also provides a $100 fine for persons
    4 who violate an out-of-service order.
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         The bill prevents the state department of transportation
    6 from destroying operating records pertaining to arrests or
    7 convictions for operating while intoxicated in violation of
    8 section 321J.2 if all of the provisions of the court order
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7 9 have not been satisfied. Currently, the department may 7 10 destroy records which are more than 12 years old, unless the 7 11 motor vehicle which was operated was a commercial motor 7 12 vehicle.

7 13 Sections 321.213 and 321.213A are amended to provide that a 7 14 juvenile's driver's license is suspended for a one-year period 7 15 of time for violations of chapter 124, section 126.3, or 7 16 chapter 453B. Section 321.215 prevents persons convicted of 7 17 out-of-state drug and drug-related offenses under section 7 18 321.205 and juveniles whose driver's licenses were suspended 7 19 under section 321.213A for violations of chapter 124 or 453B, 7 20 or section 126.3 from being issued a temporary restricted 7 21 license. It does allow these persons to apply to the district 7 22 court for a temporary restricted permit which may only be 7 23 issued under certain circumstances. The bill provides that 7 24 persons who are applying for a motor vehicle license following 7 25 a period of suspension or revocation for violations under 7 26 section 321.205 for out-of-state drug or drug-related offenses 7 27 and juveniles whose driver's licenses are suspended under 7 28 section 321.213A are not required to maintain proof of 7 29 financial responsibility in order to have the driver's license 7 30 reinstated.

7 31 Finally, the bill allows the department to revoke a
7 32 driver's license without waiting for an order from the court
7 33 in those cases where the driver submitted to a chemical test
7 34 and passed the chemical test but was still found guilty of
7 35 operating while intoxicated and granted a deferred judgment.
8 1 BACKGROUND STATEMENT

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SUBMITTED BY THE AGENCY

8 3 Section 1 defines the term "commercial motor carrier."
8 4 Section 2 prevents the state department of transportation
8 5 from destroying records pertaining to arrests or convictions
8 6 for operating while intoxicated, in violation of section
8 7 321J.2 if all of the provisions of the court order have not
8 8 been satisfied. The department's records contain a large
9 number of indefinite revocations ordered by the courts because
8 10 the licensee has not satisfied requirements, for example,
8 11 drinking drivers' school, evaluation, and treatment.
8 12 According to the attorney general, the department is without
8 13 authority to destroy these records until all provisions of the
8 14 court order have been met.

8 15 Sections 3 through 6 comply with new federal regulations 8 16 which require that certain disqualifications occur and 8 17 sanctions be imposed to deter violations of out-of-service 8 18 orders. Out-of-service orders are issued when significant 8 19 safety violations occur, for example bad brakes and driving 8 20 beyond the maximum time allowed. These sections address 8 21 compliance with federal regulations and address significant 8 22 safety concerns.

8 23 Sections 7 and 8 eliminate confusion regarding sanctions 8 24 associated with juvenile alcohol and drug offenses which exist 8 25 in the current law. Currently, section 321.213 provides for a 8 26 one-year suspension, and section 321.209, subsection 8, 8 27 provides for a six-month suspension for the same offense. 8 28 This bill provides that the length of suspension is one year.

Current law allows for different sanctions for drug and drug-related offenses depending on whether the convictions cocurred in Iowa or outside Iowa. For example, the department allowed to issue a temporary restricted license for a drug cocurred in Iowa. Section 9 of this bill amends these sections to provide consistency, so that the department is not allowed to issue a temporary restricted license regardless of where the drug offense occurred, however, the bill allows for a temporary restricted license to be available by court order.

4 Section 10 provides consistency in treatment of license 5 reinstatement for drug sanctions by requiring no future proof

- 9 6 of financial responsibility for license reinstatement prompted
- 9 7 by drug sanctions.
- 9 8 Section 11 amends section 321J.4 which ensures a driver's
- 9 9 license is revoked in situations where the driver submitted to
- 9 10 a chemical test and passed, but was still found to be guilty
- 9 11 of operating while intoxicated and given a deferred judgment
- 9 12 by providing that the department may revoke the driver's
- 9 13 license without waiting for the court to issue an order.
- 9 14 LSB 1165DP 76
- 9 15 js/jj/8.1