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BY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 84)

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Vote: Ayes 43 Nays 1

Approved April 18, 1998

A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a county issuance of motor vehicle licenses
2 study and providing effective dates.

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

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2 vehicle licenses study committee to study, make
3 recommendations regarding, and oversee the implementation of a
4 uniform system for the issuance of motor vehicle licenses by
5 county treasurers if a system is implemented. The committee
6 shall consist of fifteen members as follows:

7 1. Six county treasurers chosen by the Iowa association of
8 county treasurers.

9 2. The director of the department of transportation or the
10 director's designee.

11 3. The members of the county finance committee established
12 under section 333A.2.

13 The committee shall be staffed by the legislative service
14 bureau.

15 Sec. 2. The committee shall study the experience of the
16 six counties currently authorized to issue motor vehicle
17 licenses under section 321.179 and take testimony from the
18 department of transportation and other interested parties
19 regarding the implementation of an expanded system of county
20 issuance of motor vehicle licenses, including commercial
21 driver's licenses. The committee shall report to the general
22 assembly not later than January 1, 1998, with recommendations
23 for the implementation of an expanded system of county
24 issuance of motor vehicle licenses. The recommendations shall
25 address at least whether county issuance of motor vehicle
26 licenses should be mandatory or optional, and a mechanism for
27 oversight by the department of transportation. Following
28 delivery of its recommendations, the committee shall act in an
29 advisory capacity regarding the implementation of a county
30 issuance program enacted should one be enacted and signed into
31 law. The committee shall dissolve December 21, 1998.

32 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
33 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

34 EXPLANATION

35 This bill establishes a county issuance of motor vehicle

1 licenses study committee. The committee consists of 15
2 members, six county treasurers appointed by the Iowa
3 association of county treasurers, the director of the
4 department of transportation or the director's designee, and
5 the eight members of the county finance committee established
6 by chapter 333A. The county finance committee consists of the
7 auditor of state or the auditor's designee, five elected
8 county officials, a certified public accountant, and an
9 operations research analyst appointed by the legislative
10 council. Each member is entitled to reimbursement for actual
11 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of
12 committee duties.

13 The committee is to study the issue of county issuance of
14 motor vehicle licenses, take testimony, and provide a report
15 with recommendations to the general assembly not later than
16 January 1, 1998. The committee will remain in existence to
17 serve as an advisory body should legislation establishing a
18 system of county issuance of motor vehicle licenses be
19 enacted. The bill provides that the committee shall sunset on
20 December 31, 1998.

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23 upon enactment.

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- 1 Amend House File 372 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 6, by striking the word "fifteen"
- 3 and inserting the following: "thirteen".
- 4 2. Page 1, line 7, by striking the word "Six" and
- 5 inserting the following: "Five".
- 6 3. Page 1, by inserting after line 10, the
- 7 following:
- 8 "_____. The director of the office of driver
- 9 services of the state department of transportation or
- 10 the director's designee.
- 11 _____. The director of audits for the state
- 12 department of transportation.
- 13 _____. The executive director of the Iowa motor
- 14 truck association or the executive director's
- 15 designee.
- 16 _____. The executive director of the American
- 17 automobile association of Minnesota/Iowa or the
- 18 executive director's designee.
- 19 _____. The auditor of state or the auditor's
- 20 designee."
- 21 4. Page 1, line 11, by inserting after the word
- 22 "The" the following: "certified public accountant and
- 23 the operations research analyst who are".
- 24 5. Page 1, line 18, by inserting after the word
- 25 "transportation" the following: ", customers in the
- 26 six counties,".
- 27 6. Page 1, by striking lines 21 through 27 and
- 28 inserting the following: "driver's licenses.
- 29 The committee shall also do the following:
- 30 1. Make a comparison of the costs related to the
- 31 issuance of driver's licenses by the department and
- 32 the six counties and methods for tracking costs of
- 33 issuance of driver's licenses on a statewide basis,
- 34 including the length of time necessary to track the
- 35 costs to ensure the results provide an accurate
- 36 representation of the costs incurred by the counties
- 37 and the department. The committee shall also provide
- 38 an analysis of transition and future costs of
- 39 operation if statewide county issuance of driver's
- 40 licenses is recommended.
- 41 2. Consider the need for and recommend
- 42 comprehensive and consistent guidelines for all
- 43 driver's license activities.
- 44 3. Conduct a customer survey in the six counties
- 45 currently issuing driver's licenses and at selected
- 46 driver's license stations operated by the department.
- 47 4. Make a recommendation on whether the issuance
- 48 of driver's licenses by county treasurers should be
- 49 expanded, whether the department should provide more
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2 unchanged, or whether other changes should be made.
3 The recommendations shall include an analysis of the
4 potential impact upon the continued quality,
5 consistency, effectiveness, and services provided by
6 current driver's licensing operations for commercial
7 and noncommercial drivers.
8 Following".
9 7. Page 1, line 31, by striking the word
10 "dissolve" and inserting the following: "report to
11 the general assembly not later than January 1, 1998,
12 and shall be dissolved".

By VANDE HOEF of Osceola
WELTER of Jones

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL
BY CHAIRPERSON VANDE HOEF)

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Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

RON J. CORBETT
Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 372, Seventy-seventh General Assembly.

ELIZABETH ISAACSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 18, 1997

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor