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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to motor vehicle windows and making penalties  
2 applicable.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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**HF 2139**

1 Section 1. Section 321.438, subsection 2, Code 1999, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. a. A person shall not operate on the highway a motor  
4 vehicle equipped with a front windshield, a side window to the  
5 immediate right or left of the driver, or a side-wing forward  
6 of and to the left or right of the driver which is excessively  
7 dark or reflective so that it is difficult for a person  
8 outside the motor vehicle to see into the motor vehicle  
9 through the windshield, window, or sidewing. The department  
10 shall adopt rules establishing a minimum measurable standard  
11 of transparency which shall apply to violations of this  
12 subsection paragraph.

13 b. A person shall not operate on the highway a motor  
14 vehicle equipped with a rear window with a level of light  
15 transmittance of less than seventy percent. This paragraph  
16 does not apply to passenger vans, minivans, or sport utility  
17 vehicles.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill amends Code section 321.438 to require that the  
20 rear window of a motor vehicle, other than a passenger van,  
21 minivan, or sport utility vehicle, have a light transmittance  
22 level of at least 70 percent. A violation of the requirement  
23 subjects the violator to a scheduled fine of \$15 under Code  
24 section 805.8.

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