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HOUSE FILE 294 BY MASCHER

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act increasing the fine for failure to yield to or exercise
2 due care to avoid colliding with a pedestrian.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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- 1 Section 1. Section 321.327, Code 2005, is amended to read 2 as follows:
- 3 321.327 PEDESTRIANS' RIGHT-OF-WAY.
- 4 <u>l.</u> Where <u>If</u> traffic-control signals are not in place or in
- 5 operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-
- 6 way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a
- 7 pedestrian crossing the roadway within any a marked crosswalk
- 8 or within any an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection, except
- 9 as otherwise provided in this chapter.
- 10 2. A person convicted of a violation of this section is
- ll quilty of a simple misdemeanor punishable as a scheduled
- 12 violation under section 805.8A, subsection 7, paragraph "b"
- 13 "c".
- 14 Sec. 2. Section 805.8A, subsection 7, paragraph b, Code
- 15 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. For violations under sections 321.298, 321.307,
- 17 321.308, 321.313, 321.319, 321.320, 321.321, 321.327, 321.329,
- 18 and 321.333, the scheduled fine is thirty-five dollars.
- 19 Sec. 3. Section 805.8A, subsection 7, Code 2005, is
- 20 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 21 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. For violations under sections 321.327
- 22 and 321.329, the scheduled fine is one hundred dollars.
- 23 EXPLANATION
- 24 This bill increases the fine for failure to yield the
- 25 right-of-way to a pedestrian, failure to exercise due care to
- 26 avoid colliding with a pedestrian on a roadway, and failure to
- 27 yield the right-of-way to pedestrian maintenance or
- 28 construction workers when notified of their presence by a
- 29 flagman or warning sign from \$35 to \$100.
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