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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to advance notification of the need to renew a  
2 driver's license.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 321.196, subsection 1, Code 2005, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. Except as otherwise provided, a driver's license,  
4 other than an instruction permit, chauffeur's instruction  
5 permit, or commercial driver's instruction permit issued under  
6 section 321.180, expires five years from the licensee's  
7 birthday anniversary occurring in the year of issuance if the  
8 licensee is between the ages of seventeen years eleven months  
9 and seventy years on the date of issuance of the license. If  
10 the licensee is under the age of seventeen years eleven months  
11 or age seventy or over, the license is effective for a period  
12 of two years from the licensee's birthday anniversary  
13 occurring in the year of issuance. A licensee whose license  
14 is restricted due to vision or other physical deficiencies may  
15 be required to renew the license every two years. If a  
16 licensee is a foreign national who is temporarily present in  
17 this state, the license shall be issued only for the length of  
18 time the foreign national is authorized to be present as  
19 determined by the department, not to exceed two years.

20 b. On or about the first day of each month, the department  
21 shall notify each licensee whose driver's license is due to  
22 expire in the following month of the need to renew the license  
23 and the period for renewal. The notice shall be mailed to the  
24 most recent address of record provided by the licensee  
25 pursuant to section 321.182, or the notice may be sent  
26 electronically by prior arrangement with the licensee.  
27 Failure to receive a renewal notice shall not affect the  
28 expiration of a license or the requirements for renewal of an  
29 expired license.

30 EXPLANATION

31 This bill requires the state department of transportation  
32 to send a notice on or about the first day of each month to  
33 each person whose driver's license will expire in the  
34 following month. The notice shall be sent to the most recent  
35 address of record for the licensee, or may be sent

1 electronically by prior arrangement with the licensee. The  
2 expiration of a license or the requirements for renewal are  
3 not affected by the failure of a licensee to receive the  
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