Senate Study Bill 3107 - Introduced

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ВУ	(PROPOSED COMMITTEE
	ON JUDICIARY BILL BY
	CHAIRPERSON KREIMAN)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to eluding or attempting to elude a marked law
- 2 enforcement vehicle, and providing a penalty.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 321.279, subsection 2, Code 2009, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 2. \underline{a} . The driver of a motor vehicle commits an aggravated
- 4 misdemeanor if the driver willfully fails to bring the motor
- 5 vehicle to a stop or otherwise eludes or attempts to elude a
- 6 marked official law enforcement vehicle that is driven by a
- 7 uniformed peace officer after being given a visual and audible
- 8 signal as provided in this section and in doing so exceeds the
- 9 speed limit by twenty-five miles per hour or more.
- 10 b. The driver of a motor vehicle commits an aggravated
- ll misdemeanor if the driver willfully fails to bring the motor
- 12 vehicle to a stop or otherwise eludes or attempts to elude a
- 13 marked official law enforcement vehicle that is driven by a
- 14 uniformed peace officer after being given a visual and audible
- 15 signal as provided in this section and in doing so endangers
- 16 the safety or property of another driver of a motor vehicle,
- 17 pedestrian, bicyclist, or real property owner or lessee, other
- 18 than a peace officer acting within the official capacity of the
- 19 officer.
- 20 Sec. 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection
- 21 3, shall not apply to this Act.
- 22 EXPLANATION
- 23 This bill relates to eluding or attempting to elude a marked
- 24 law enforcement vehicle.
- 25 The bill provides that a driver of a motor vehicle commits an
- 26 aggravated misdemeanor if the driver willfully fails to bring
- 27 the motor vehicle to a stop or otherwise eludes or attempts to
- 28 elude a marked official law enforcement vehicle that is driven
- 29 by a uniformed peace officer after being given a visual and
- 30 audible signal and in doing so endangers the safety or property
- 31 of another driver of a motor vehicle, pedestrian, bicyclist,
- 32 or real property owner or lessee, other than a peace officer
- 33 acting within the official capacity of the officer.
- 34 An aggravated misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for
- 35 no more than two years and a fine of at least \$625 but not more

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- 1 than \$6,250.
- 2 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
- 3 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section 25B.2,
- 4 subsection 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from
- 5 complying with a state mandate if funding for the cost of
- 6 the state mandate is not provided or specified. Therefore,
- 7 political subdivisions are required to comply with any state
- 8 mandate included in the bill.