

**House File 2361 - Introduced**

HOUSE FILE 2361

BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 597)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to matters under the purview of the department  
2 of transportation.

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

1 DIVISION I  
2 HIGHWAYS

3 Section 1. Section 306.3, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code  
4 2014, is amended to read as follows:

5 As used in this chapter or in any chapter of the Code  
6 relating to highways, except as otherwise specified:

7 Sec. 2. Section 306C.1, subsection 2, Code 2014, is amended  
8 to read as follows:

9 2. "*Interstate highway*" includes "*interstate road*" and  
10 "*interstate system*" and means any highway of the primary  
11 national highway system at any time officially designated as a  
12 part of the national system of interstate and defense highways  
13 by the department and approved by the appropriate authority of  
14 the federal government.

15 Sec. 3. Section 306C.1, Code 2014, is amended by adding the  
16 following new subsection:

17 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. "*National highway system*" means the  
18 network designated by the federal highway administration in  
19 consultation with the state department of transportation, which  
20 consists of interconnected urban and rural principal arterials  
21 and highways that serve major population centers, ports,  
22 airports, public transportation facilities, other intermodal  
23 transportation facilities, and other major travel destinations;  
24 meet national defense requirements; and serve interstate and  
25 interregional travel.

26 Sec. 4. Section 306C.2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2014,  
27 is amended to read as follows:

28 A person shall not establish, operate, or maintain a  
29 junkyard, any portion of which is within one thousand feet of  
30 the nearest edge of the right-of-way of any interstate highway  
31 on the national highway system, except:

32 Sec. 5. Section 306C.3, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
33 follows:

34 **306C.3 Junkyards lawfully in existence.**

35 1. Any junkyard located outside a zoned or unzoned

1 industrial area lawfully in existence on July 1, 1972,  
2 which is within one thousand feet of the nearest edge of  
3 the right-of-way and visible from the main-traveled portion  
4 of any highway on the interstate system shall be screened,  
5 if feasible, by the department, or by the owner under rules  
6 and direction of the department, at locations on the highway  
7 right-of-way or in areas acquired for such purposes outside  
8 the right-of-way in order to obscure the junkyard from the  
9 main-traveled way of such highways.

10 2. Any junkyard located outside a zoned or unzoned  
11 industrial area lawfully in existence on July 1, 2014, which  
12 is within one thousand feet of the nearest edge of the  
13 right-of-way and visible from the main-traveled portion of  
14 any noninterstate highway which is on the national highway  
15 system shall be screened, if feasible, by the department, or  
16 by the owner under rules and direction of the department, at  
17 locations on the highway right-of-way or in areas acquired for  
18 such purposes outside the right-of-way in order to obscure the  
19 junkyard from the main-traveled way of such highways.

20 Sec. 6. Section 306C.10, subsections 1, 2, 10, 13, and 20,  
21 Code 2014, are amended to read as follows:

22 1. "*Adjacent area*" means an area which is contiguous to  
23 and within six hundred sixty feet of the nearest edge of the  
24 right-of-way of any ~~interstate, freeway primary, or primary~~  
25 highway.

26 2. "*Advertising device*" includes any outdoor sign, display,  
27 device, figure, painting, drawing, message, placard, poster,  
28 billboard, or any other device designed, intended, or used to  
29 advertise or give information in the nature of advertising, and  
30 having the capacity of being visible from the traveled portion  
31 of any ~~interstate or primary~~ highway.

32 10. "*Interstate highway*" includes "*interstate road*" and  
33 "*interstate system*" and means any highway of the ~~primary~~  
34 national highway system at any time officially designated as a  
35 part of the national system of interstate and defense highways

1 by the department and approved by the appropriate authority of  
2 the federal government.

3 13. ~~"Primary highways" includes the entire primary system as~~  
4 ~~officially designated, or as may hereafter be so designated,~~  
5 ~~by the department~~ means all highways on the national highway  
6 system and all highways on the federal-aid primary system as it  
7 existed on June 1, 1991.

8 20. *"Unzoned commercial or industrial area"* means those areas  
9 not zoned by state or local law, regulation, or ordinance,  
10 which are occupied by one or more commercial or industrial  
11 activities, and the land along the ~~interstate highways and~~  
12 primary highways for a distance of seven hundred fifty feet  
13 immediately adjacent to the activities. All measurements  
14 shall be from the outer edge of the regularly used buildings,  
15 parking lots, storage, or processing areas of the activities  
16 and shall be parallel to the edge of pavement of the highway.  
17 Measurements shall not be from the property line of the  
18 activities unless that property line coincides with the limits  
19 of the activities. Unzoned commercial or industrial areas  
20 shall not include land on the opposite side of the highway from  
21 the commercial or industrial activities.

22 Sec. 7. Section 306C.10, Code 2014, is amended by adding the  
23 following new subsection:

24 NEW SUBSECTION. 12A. *"National highway system"* means the  
25 network designated by the federal highway administration in  
26 consultation with the state department of transportation, which  
27 consists of interconnected urban and rural principal arterials  
28 and highways that serve major population centers, ports,  
29 airports, public transportation facilities, other intermodal  
30 transportation facilities, and other major travel destinations;  
31 meet national defense requirements; and serve interstate and  
32 interregional travel.

33 Sec. 8. Section 306C.12, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
34 follows:

35 **306C.12 None visible from highway.**

1 An advertising device shall not be constructed or  
2 reconstructed beyond the adjacent area in unincorporated areas  
3 of the state if it is visible from the main-traveled way of  
4 any ~~interstate or~~ primary highway except for advertising  
5 devices permitted in section 306C.11, subsections 1 and 2.  
6 Any advertising device permitted beyond an adjacent area in  
7 unincorporated areas of the state shall be subject to the  
8 applicable permit provisions of section 306C.18.

9 Sec. 9. Section 306C.13, subsections 2, 3, 4, and 5, Code  
10 2014, are amended to read as follows:

11 2. Advertising devices located within the adjacent  
12 area of nonfreeway primary highways shall not be erected or  
13 maintained closer to another advertising device facing in the  
14 same direction than one hundred feet if inside the corporate  
15 limits of a municipality. No advertising device, other than  
16 as excepted or permitted by ~~subsections~~ subsection 4, 5, or 6  
17 ~~of this section~~, shall be located within the triangular area  
18 formed by the line connecting two points each fifty feet back  
19 from the point where the street right-of-way lines of the  
20 main-traveled way and the intersecting street meet, or would  
21 meet, if extended.

22 3. Advertising devices located within the adjacent area of  
23 nonfreeway primary highways shall not be erected or maintained  
24 closer to another advertising device facing in the same  
25 direction than three hundred feet if outside the corporate  
26 limits of a municipality. No advertising device, other than  
27 those excepted or permitted by ~~subsections~~ subsection 4, 5, or  
28 6 ~~of this section~~, shall be located within the triangular area  
29 formed by a line connecting two points each one hundred feet  
30 back from the point where the street right-of-way lines of the  
31 main-traveled way and the intersecting street meet, or would  
32 meet, if extended.

33 4. The distance spacing measurements fixed by subsections 2  
34 and 3 ~~of this section~~ shall not apply to advertising devices  
35 which are separated by a building in such a manner that only

1 one advertising device located within the minimum spacing  
2 distance is visible from a highway at any one time.

3 5. Within a triangular area, as defined by subsections 2  
4 and 3 ~~of this section~~, occupied by a building or structure, no  
5 advertising device shall be erected or maintained closer to the  
6 intersection than the building or structure itself, except that  
7 a wall advertising device may be attached to said building or  
8 structure not to protrude more than twelve inches.

9 Sec. 10. Section 306C.13, subsection 8, paragraph g, Code  
10 2014, is amended to read as follows:

11 g. The standards contained in this section pertaining to  
12 size, lighting, and spacing shall not apply to advertising  
13 devices erected or maintained within six hundred sixty feet  
14 of the right-of-way of those portions of the interstate  
15 highway system exempted from control under chapter 306B by  
16 authority of section 306B.2, subsection 4, nor to advertising  
17 devices erected and maintained within adjacent areas along  
18 noninterstate primary highways within zoned and unzoned  
19 commercial and industrial areas, unless said advertising  
20 devices were erected subsequent to July 1, 1972.

21 DIVISION II

22 TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AND COMMISSION

23 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

24 Sec. 11. Section 307.8, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
25 follows:

26 **307.8 Expenses.**

27 ~~Members of the commission, the~~ The director, and other  
28 employees of the department shall be allowed their actual and  
29 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.  
30 All expenses and salaries shall be paid from appropriations  
31 for such purposes, and the department shall be subject to the  
32 budget requirements of chapter 8.

33 Sec. 12. Section 307.12, subsection 1, paragraphs g and p,  
34 Code 2014, are amended to read as follows:

35 g. Appoint the ~~deputy director of transportation and the~~

1 administrators ~~of~~ within the department.

2 ~~p. Administer chapter 327J~~ Apply for, accept, and expend  
3 federal, state, or private funds for the improvement of  
4 transportation.

5 Sec. 13. Section 307.12, subsection 1, Code 2014, is amended  
6 by adding the following new paragraph:

7 NEW PARAGRAPH. *q.* Coordinate the transportation research  
8 activities within the department.

9 Sec. 14. Section 307.12, subsection 2, Code 2014, is amended  
10 to read as follows:

11 2. If in the interest of the state, the director may allow  
12 a subsistence expense to an employee under the supervision of  
13 the department's administrator responsible for ~~highways~~ highway  
14 programs and activities for continuous stay in one location  
15 while on duty away from established headquarters and place of  
16 domicile for a period not to exceed forty-five days; and may  
17 allow automobile expenses in accordance with section 8A.363,  
18 for moving an employee and the employee's family from place of  
19 present domicile to new domicile, and actual transportation  
20 expense for moving of household goods. The household goods for  
21 which transportation expense is allowed shall not include pets  
22 or animals.

23 Sec. 15. Section 307.21, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph  
24 1, Code 2014, is amended to read as follows:

25 The department's administrator ~~of administrative services~~  
26 responsible for the operations and finances of the department  
27 shall:

28 Sec. 16. Section 307.21, subsection 7, Code 2014, is amended  
29 to read as follows:

30 7. The administrator ~~of administrative services~~ may  
31 purchase items from the department of administrative services  
32 and may cooperate with the director of the department of  
33 administrative services by providing purchasing services for  
34 the department of administrative services.

35 Sec. 17. Section 307.22, Code 2014, is amended to read as

1 follows:

2 **307.22 Planning and research programming activities.**

3 1. The department's administrator ~~of~~ responsible for  
4 transportation planning and ~~research~~ infrastructure program  
5 development shall:

6 a. Assist the director in planning all modes of  
7 transportation in order to develop an integrated transportation  
8 system providing adequate transportation services for all  
9 citizens of the state.

10 b. Develop and maintain transportation statistical data for  
11 the department.

12 c. Assist the director in establishing, analyzing, and  
13 evaluating alternative transportation policies for the state.

14 d. Coordinate planning ~~and research~~ duties and  
15 responsibilities with the planning functions carried on by  
16 other administrators of the department.

17 e. (1) Annually report by July 1 of each year, for both  
18 secondary and farm-to-market systems, the miles of earth,  
19 granular, and paved surface roads; the daily vehicle miles  
20 of travel; and the lineal feet of bridge deck under the  
21 jurisdiction of each county's secondary road department, as  
22 of the preceding January 1, taking into account roads whose  
23 jurisdiction has been transferred from the department to a  
24 county or from a county to the department during the previous  
25 year. The annual report shall include those roads transferred  
26 to a county pursuant to section 306.8A.

27 (2) Miles of secondary and farm-to-market roads shall not  
28 include those miles of farm-to-market extensions within cities  
29 under five hundred population that are placed under county  
30 secondary road jurisdiction pursuant to section 306.4.

31 (3) The annual report of updated road and bridge data of  
32 both the secondary and farm-to-market roads shall be submitted  
33 to the Iowa county engineers association service bureau.

34 f. Advise and assist the director in the study and  
35 development of highway transport economics to assure



1 availability and productivity of highway transport services.

2 ~~f.~~ g. Perform such other planning functions as may be  
3 assigned by the director.

4 2. The functions of planning and ~~research~~ infrastructure  
5 program development do not include the detailed design  
6 of highways or other modal transportation facilities, but  
7 are restricted to the needs of this state for multimodal  
8 transportation systems.

9 Sec. 18. Section 307.24, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 **307.24 Administration of ~~highways~~ highway programs and**  
12 **activities.**

13 The department's administrator ~~of highways~~ is responsible  
14 for the ~~planning, design, construction, and maintenance of~~  
15 highway programs and activities shall plan, design, construct,  
16 and maintain the state primary highways and ~~shall~~ administer  
17 chapters 306 ~~to~~ through 306C, chapters 309 through 314,  
18 chapters 316 through 318, and chapter 320 and perform other  
19 duties as assigned by the director. The ~~administration of~~  
20 highways department shall be:

21 1. Be organized to provide administration assistance for  
22 urban systems, ~~for~~ and secondary roads, and provide other  
23 categories of administration assistance as necessary.

24 2. Devise and adopt standard plans of highway construction  
25 and furnish the same to the counties and provide information  
26 to the counties on the maintenance practices and policies of  
27 the department.

28 3. Order the removal or alteration of any lights or  
29 light-reflecting devices, whether on public or private  
30 property, other than railroad signals or crossing lights,  
31 located adjacent to a primary road and within three hundred  
32 feet of a railroad crossing at grade, which in any way  
33 interfere with the vision of or may be confusing to a person  
34 operating a motor vehicle on such primary road in observing  
35 the approach of trains or in observing signs erected for the

1 purpose of giving warning of such railroad crossing.

2 4. Order the removal or alteration of any lights or  
3 light-reflecting devices, whether on public or private  
4 property, located adjacent to a primary road and within  
5 three hundred feet of an intersection with another primary  
6 road, which in any way interfere with the vision of or may be  
7 confusing to a person operating a motor vehicle on such primary  
8 road in observing the approach of other vehicles or signs  
9 erected for the purpose of giving warning of such intersection.

10 5. Construct, reconstruct, improve, and maintain state  
11 institutional roads and state park roads which are part of the  
12 state park, state institution, and other state land road system  
13 as defined in section 306.3, and bridges on such roads, roads  
14 located on the state fairgrounds as described in chapter 173,  
15 and the roads and bridges located on community college property  
16 as described in chapter 260C, upon the request of the state  
17 board, department, or commission which has jurisdiction over  
18 such roads. Such construction, reconstruction, improvement,  
19 or maintenance shall be done in such manner as may be agreed  
20 upon by the state transportation commission and the state  
21 board, department, or commission which has jurisdiction. The  
22 commission may contract with any county or municipality for  
23 the construction, reconstruction, improvement, or maintenance  
24 of such roads and bridges. Any state park road which is an  
25 extension of either a primary or secondary highway which both  
26 enters and exits from a state park at separate points shall  
27 be constructed, reconstructed, improved, and maintained as  
28 provided in section 306.4. Funds allocated from the road  
29 use tax fund for the purposes of this subsection shall be  
30 apportioned in the following manner and amounts:

31 a. For department of natural resources facility roads,  
32 forty-five and one-half percent.

33 b. For department of human services facility roads, six and  
34 one-half percent.

35 c. For department of corrections facility roads, five and

1 one-half percent.

2 d. For national guard facility roads, four percent.

3 e. For state board of regents facility roads, thirty  
4 percent.

5 f. For state fair board facility roads, two percent.

6 g. For department of administrative services facility roads,  
7 one-half percent.

8 h. For department of education facility roads, six percent.

9 Sec. 19. Section 307.26, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 307.26 Rail and water Administration of modal programs and  
12 activities.

13 The department's administrator responsible for ~~rail and~~  
14 ~~water~~ modal programs and activities shall:

15 1. ~~Advise and assist the director in conducting research~~  
16 ~~on the basic railroad problems and identify the present~~  
17 ~~capability of the existing railroads in order to determine~~  
18 ~~the present obligation of the railroads to provide acceptable~~  
19 ~~levels of public service.~~ Advise and assist the director  
20 in the development of aeronautics including but not limited  
21 to the location of air terminals, accessibility of air  
22 terminals by other modes of public transportation, protective  
23 zoning provisions considering safety factors, noise, and air  
24 pollution, facilities for private and commercial aircraft,  
25 air freight facilities, and such other physical and technical  
26 aspects as may be necessary to meet present and future needs.

27 2. Advise and assist the director in the study of local  
28 and regional transportation of goods and people including  
29 intracity and intercity bus systems, dial-a-bus facilities,  
30 rural and urban bus and taxi systems, the collection of data  
31 from these systems, a feasibility study of increased government  
32 subsidy assistance and determination of the allocation of such  
33 subsidies to each mass transportation system, and such other  
34 physical and technical aspects as may be necessary to meet  
35 present and future needs, and apply for, accept, and expend

1 federal, state, or private funds for the improvement of mass  
2 transit.

3 ~~2.~~ 3. Advise and assist the director in the development  
4 of ~~rail~~ transportation systems and programs for ~~expansion of~~  
5 improving passenger and freight services.

6 ~~3.~~ 4. Advise and assist the director in developing programs  
7 in anticipation of railroad abandonment, including:

8 a. Development and evaluation of programs which will  
9 encourage improvement of rail freight and the upgrading of rail  
10 lines in order to improve freight service.

11 ~~b. Development of alternative modes of transportation to~~  
12 ~~areas and communities which lose rail service.~~

13 ~~c.~~ b. Advise Advising the director when it may appear in  
14 the best interest of the state to assume the role of advocate  
15 in railroad abandonments and railroad rate schedules.

16 ~~4.~~ 5. Develop and maintain a federal-state relationship  
17 of programs relating to railroad safety enforcement, track  
18 standards, rail equipment, operating rules, and transportation  
19 of hazardous materials.

20 6. Make surveys, plans, and estimates of cost for safety  
21 enhancement at railroad crossings on highways, and confer  
22 with local and railroad officials with reference to safety  
23 enhancement projects.

24 ~~5.~~ 7. Advise and assist the director in the conduct of  
25 research on railroad-highway grade crossings and encourage  
26 and develop a safety program in order to reduce injuries or  
27 fatalities including, but not limited to, the following:

28 ~~a. The implementation of a program of constructing rumble~~  
29 ~~strips at grade crossings on selected hard surface roads.~~

30 ~~b.~~ a. The establishment of standards for warning devices  
31 for particularly hazardous crossings or for classes of  
32 crossings on highways, which standards are shall be designed  
33 to reduce injuries, fatalities, and property damage. Such  
34 standards shall regulate the use of warning devices and  
35 signs, which shall be in addition to the requirements of

1 section 327G.2. Implementation of such standards shall be  
2 the responsibility of the government agency, ~~or~~ department,  
3 or political subdivision having jurisdiction and control of  
4 the highway and such implementation shall be deemed adequate  
5 for the purposes of railroad grade crossing protection. The  
6 department, or the political subdivision having jurisdiction,  
7 may direct the installation of temporary protection while  
8 awaiting installation of permanent protection. A railroad  
9 crossing shall not be found to be particularly hazardous for  
10 any purpose unless the department has determined it to be  
11 particularly hazardous.

12 ~~e.~~ b. The development and adoption of classifications of  
13 crossings on public highways based upon their characteristics,  
14 conditions, and hazards, and standards for warning devices,  
15 signals, and signs of each crossing classification. The  
16 department shall recommend a schedule for implementation  
17 of the standards to the government agency, department, or  
18 political subdivision having jurisdiction of the highway and  
19 shall provide an annual report to the general assembly on the  
20 development and adoption of classifications and standards under  
21 this paragraph and their implementation, including information  
22 about financing installation of warning devices, signals, and  
23 signs. The department shall not be liable for the development  
24 or adoption of the classifications or standards. A government  
25 agency, department, or political subdivision shall not be  
26 liable for failure to implement the standards. A crossing  
27 warning or improvement installed or maintained pursuant to  
28 standards adopted by the department under this paragraph "b"  
29 shall be deemed an adequate and appropriate warning for the  
30 crossing.

31 ~~6. Apply for, accept, and expend federal, state or private~~  
32 ~~funds for the improvement of rail transportation.~~

33 ~~7.~~ 8. Advise and assist the director ~~on studies for to~~  
34 assure availability, efficiency, and productivity of freight  
35 and passenger services and to promote the coordination of

1 ~~railway~~ service ~~with that of other~~ between all transportation  
2 modes.

3 ~~8.~~ 9. Advise and assist the director with studies of  
4 regulatory changes deemed necessary to effectuate economical  
5 and efficient railroad service.

6 ~~9.~~ 10. Advise and assist the director regarding agreements  
7 with railroad corporations for the restoration, conservation,  
8 or improvement of railroad as defined in section 327D.2,  
9 subsection 3, on such terms, conditions, rates, rentals, or  
10 subsidy levels as may be in the best interest of the state.  
11 The commission may enter into contracts and agreements which  
12 are binding only to the extent that appropriations have been  
13 or may subsequently be made by the legislature to effectuate  
14 the purposes of this subsection.

15 ~~10.~~ 11. Administer chapters 324A, 327C through 327H, 327J,  
16 328, 329, and 330.

17 12. Administer programs and activities in chapter  
18 306D relating to scenic routes, chapter 307C relating to  
19 the Missouri river barge compact, chapter 308 relating  
20 to the Mississippi river parkway, chapter 308A relating  
21 to recreational bikeways, and chapter 315 relating to the  
22 revitalize Iowa's sound economy fund.

23 ~~11.~~ 13. Perform such other duties and responsibilities as  
24 may be assigned by the director and ~~the commission~~.

25 ~~12.~~ Advise and assist in the establishment and development  
26 of ~~railroad districts upon request~~.

27 ~~13.~~ Conduct innovative experimental programs relating to  
28 rail transportation problems within the state.

29 ~~14.~~ Enter the role of "applicant" pursuant to the Railroad  
30 Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, Pub. L. No.  
31 94-210, and take such actions as are necessary to accomplish  
32 this role.

33 ~~15.~~ Identify those segments of railroad trackage which, if  
34 improved, may provide increased transportation services for  
35 the citizens of this state. The department shall develop and

1 ~~implement programs to encourage the improvement of rail freight~~  
2 ~~services on such railroad trackage.~~

3 ~~16.~~ 14. Promote river transportation and coordinate river  
4 programs with other transportation modes.

5 ~~17.~~ 15. Advise and assist the director in the development  
6 of river transportation and port facilities in the state.

7 Sec. 20. Section 307.27, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
8 follows:

9 **307.27 Motor vehicles, motor carriers, and drivers.**

10 The department's administrator responsible for the  
11 enforcement and regulation of motor carriers, registration of  
12 motor vehicles, and the licensing of drivers shall:

13 1. Administer and supervise the registration of motor  
14 vehicles and the licensing of drivers pursuant to chapter 321.

15 2. Administer and supervise the licensing of motor vehicle  
16 manufacturers, distributors, and dealers pursuant to chapter  
17 322.

18 3. Administer the inspection of motor vehicles pursuant to  
19 chapter 321.

20 4. Administer motor vehicle registration reciprocity  
21 pursuant to chapter 326.

22 5. Administer the provisions of chapters 321A, 321E, 321F,  
23 and 321J relating to motor vehicle financial responsibility,  
24 the implied consent law, the movement of vehicles of excessive  
25 size and weight, and the leasing and renting of vehicles.

26 6. Administer the regulation of motor vehicle franchisers  
27 pursuant to chapter 322A.

28 7. Administer the regulation of motor carriers pursuant to  
29 ~~chapter~~ chapters 325A, 326, and 327B.

30 8. Administer the registration of interstate authority  
31 of motor carriers pursuant to chapter 327B as provided in 49  
32 U.S.C. § 14504a and United States department of transportation  
33 regulations.

34 9. Administer chapter 321C relating to interstate drivers  
35 license compacts; chapter 321D relating to vehicle equipment

1 compacts; chapter 321H relating to vehicle recyclers; chapter  
2 321L relating to parking for persons with disabilities; chapter  
3 321M relating to county issuance of driver's licenses; and  
4 chapter 322C relating to travel trailer dealers, manufacturers,  
5 and distributors.

6 Sec. 21. Section 307.45, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
7 follows:

8 **307.45 State-owned lands — assessment.**

9 1. Cities and counties may assess the cost of a public  
10 improvement against the state when the improvement benefits  
11 property owned by the state and under the jurisdiction  
12 and control of the ~~department's administrator of highways~~  
13 department. The director shall pay from the primary road fund  
14 the portion of the cost of the improvement which would be  
15 legally assessable against the land if privately owned.

16 2. Assessments against property under the jurisdiction of  
17 the ~~department's administrator of highways~~ department shall be  
18 made in the same manner as those made against private property,  
19 except that the city or county making the assessment shall  
20 cause a copy of the public notice of hearing to be mailed to the  
21 director by certified mail.

22 3. Assessments against property owned by the state and  
23 not under the jurisdiction and control of the ~~department's~~  
24 ~~administrator of highways~~ department shall be made in the same  
25 manner as those made against private property, and payment  
26 shall be subject to authorization by the executive council.  
27 There is appropriated from moneys in the general fund not  
28 otherwise appropriated an amount necessary to pay the expense  
29 authorized by the executive council.

30 Sec. 22. Section 307.47, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2014, are  
31 amended to read as follows:

32 1. The highway materials and equipment revolving fund  
33 is created from moneys appropriated out of the primary road  
34 fund. From this fund shall be paid all costs for materials  
35 and supplies, inventoried stock supplies, maintenance and



1 operational costs of equipment, and equipment replacements  
2 incurred in the operation of centralized purchasing under the  
3 supervision of the ~~department's administrator of highways~~  
4 administrator responsible for highway programs and activities.  
5 Direct salaries and expenses properly chargeable to direct  
6 salaries shall be paid from the fund. For each month, the  
7 ~~director administrator~~ administrator responsible for the operations and  
8 finances of the department shall render a statement to each  
9 highway unit ~~under the supervision of the administrator~~  
10 ~~of highways~~ for the actual cost of materials and supplies,  
11 operational and maintenance costs of equipment, and equipment  
12 depreciation used. The expense shall be paid by the  
13 ~~administrator of highways~~ responsible for the operations  
14 and finances of the department in the same manner as other  
15 interdepartmental billings are paid, and ~~when the expense is~~  
16 ~~paid by the administrator of highways,~~ the sum paid shall be  
17 credited to the highway materials and equipment revolving fund.

18 3. When the highway units ~~under the supervision of~~  
19 ~~the administrator of highways~~ share equipment with other  
20 administrative units of the department, the director shall  
21 prorate the costs of the equipment among the administrative  
22 units using the equipment.

23 Sec. 23. REPEAL. Sections 307.3, 307.4, 307.5, 307.6,  
24 307.7, 307.9, 307.10, 307.25, 307.35, and 307.43, Code 2014,  
25 are repealed.

26 STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

27 Sec. 24. NEW SECTION. 307A.1A **Transportation commission.**

28 1. There is created a state transportation commission which  
29 shall consist of seven members, not more than four of whom  
30 shall be from the same political party. The governor shall  
31 appoint the members of the commission for a term of four years  
32 beginning and ending as provided by section 69.19, subject to  
33 confirmation by the senate.

34 2. The commission shall meet in May of each year for the  
35 purpose of electing one of its members as chairperson.

1     Sec. 25. Section 307A.2, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3     **307A.2 Duties.**

4     ~~Said~~ The commission shall:

- 5     1. ~~Devise and adopt standard plans of highway construction~~  
6 ~~and furnish the same to the counties and provide information~~  
7 ~~to the counties on the maintenance practices and policies of~~  
8 ~~the department. Develop, coordinate, and annually update a~~  
9 ~~comprehensive transportation policy and plan for the state.~~
- 10    2. ~~Furnish information and instruction to, answer inquiries~~  
11 ~~of, and advise with, highway officers on matters of highway~~  
12 ~~construction and maintenance and the reasonable cost thereof.~~  
13 ~~Promote the coordinated and efficient use of all available~~  
14 ~~modes of transportation for the benefit of the state and~~  
15 ~~its citizens including but not limited to the designation~~  
16 ~~and development of multimodal public transfer facilities if~~  
17 ~~carriers or other private businesses fail to develop such~~  
18 ~~facilities.~~
- 19    3. ~~Reserved.~~
- 20    4. ~~Make surveys, plans, and estimates of cost, for the~~  
21 ~~elimination of danger at railroad crossings on highways, and~~  
22 ~~confer with local and railroad officials with reference to~~  
23 ~~elimination of the danger.~~
- 24    5. ~~Assist the board of supervisors and the department~~  
25 ~~general counsel in the defense of suits wherein infringement of~~  
26 ~~patents, relative to highway construction, is alleged.~~
- 27    6. ~~Make surveys for the improvement of highways upon or~~  
28 ~~adjacent to state property when requested by the board or~~  
29 ~~department in control of said lands.~~
- 30    7. ~~Record all important operations of said commission and,~~  
31 ~~at the time provided by law, report the same to the governor.~~
- 32    8. ~~Incur no expense to the state by sending out road~~  
33 ~~lecturers.~~
- 34    9. ~~Order the removal or alteration of any lights or~~  
35 ~~light-reflecting devices, whether on public or private~~

~~1 property, other than railroad signals or crossing lights,  
2 located adjacent to a primary road and within three hundred  
3 feet of a railroad crossing at grade, which in any way  
4 interfere with the vision of or may be confusing to a person  
5 operating a motor vehicle on such highway in observing the  
6 approach of trains or in observing signs erected for the  
7 purpose of giving warning of such railroad crossing.~~

~~8 10. Order the removal or alteration of any lights or  
9 light-reflecting devices, whether on public or private  
10 property, located adjacent to a primary road and within  
11 three hundred feet of an intersection with another primary  
12 road, which in any way interfere with the vision of or may be  
13 confusing to a person operating a motor vehicle on such highway  
14 in observing the approach of other vehicles or signs erected  
15 for the purpose of giving warning of such intersection.~~

~~16 11. Construct, reconstruct, improve, and maintain state  
17 institutional roads and state park roads, which are part of  
18 the state park, state institution, and other state land road  
19 system as defined in section 306.3, and bridges on such roads,  
20 roads located on state fairgrounds as defined in chapter 173,  
21 and the roads and bridges located on community college property  
22 as defined in chapter 260C, upon the request of the state  
23 board, department, or commission which has jurisdiction over  
24 such roads. This shall be done in such manner as may be agreed  
25 upon by the state transportation commission and the state  
26 board, department, or commission which has jurisdiction. The  
27 commission may contract with any county or municipality for  
28 the construction, reconstruction, improvement, or maintenance  
29 of such roads and bridges. Any state park road which is an  
30 extension of either a primary or secondary highway which both  
31 enters and exits from a state park at separate points shall  
32 be constructed, reconstructed, improved, and maintained as  
33 provided in section 306.4. Funds allocated from the road  
34 use tax fund for the purposes of this subsection shall be  
35 apportioned in the following manner and amounts:~~

1 ~~a. For department of natural resources facility roads,~~  
2 ~~forty-five and one-half percent.~~

3 ~~b. For department of human services facility roads, six and~~  
4 ~~one-half percent.~~

5 ~~c. For department of corrections facility roads, five and~~  
6 ~~one-half percent.~~

7 ~~d. For national guard facility roads, four percent.~~

8 ~~e. For state board of regents facility roads, thirty~~  
9 ~~percent.~~

10 ~~f. For state fair board facility roads, two percent.~~

11 ~~g. For department of administrative services facility roads,~~  
12 ~~one-half percent.~~

13 ~~h. For department of education facility roads, six percent.~~

14 ~~12.~~ 3. Prepare, adopt, and cause to be published a  
15 long-range program for the primary road system, in conjunction  
16 with the state transportation plan adopted by the commission.  
17 Such program shall be prepared for a period of at least five  
18 years and shall be revised, brought up-to-date, and republished  
19 at least once every year in order to have a continuing  
20 five-year program. The program shall include, insofar as such  
21 estimates can be made, an estimate of the money expected to  
22 become available during the period covered by the program and  
23 a statement of the construction, maintenance, and other work  
24 planned to be performed during such period. The commission  
25 shall conduct periodic reinspections of the primary roads in  
26 order to revise, from time to time, its estimates of future  
27 needs to conform to the physical and service conditions  
28 of the primary roads. ~~The commission shall annually cause~~  
29 ~~to be published a sufficiency rating report showing the~~  
30 ~~relative conditions of the primary roads.~~ Before the last  
31 day of December of each year, the commission shall adopt and  
32 cause to be published from its long-range program, a plan of  
33 improvements to be accomplished during the next calendar year.  
34 However, in years when the federal government is reauthorizing  
35 federal highway funding, the commission shall not be required

1 to adopt and publish the annual plan of improvements to be  
2 accomplished until at least ninety days from the enactment  
3 of the new federal funding formula. This annual program  
4 shall list definite projects in order of urgency and shall  
5 include a reasonable year's work with the funds estimated to  
6 be available. The annual program shall be final and followed  
7 by the commission in the next year except that deviations may  
8 be made in case of disaster or other unforeseen emergencies  
9 or difficulties. The relative urgency of the proposed  
10 improvements shall be determined by a consideration of the  
11 physical condition, safety, and service characteristics of the  
12 various primary roads.

13 ~~13.~~ 4. The criteria used by the commission for allocating  
14 funds as a result of any long-range planning process shall be  
15 adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 17A. The  
16 commission shall adopt such rules and regulations in accordance  
17 with the provisions of chapter 17A as it may deem necessary to  
18 transact its business and for the administration and exercise  
19 of its powers and duties.

20 ~~14.~~ 5. Identify, within the primary road system, a network  
21 of commercial and industrial highways in accordance with  
22 section 313.2A. The improvement of this network shall be  
23 considered in the development of the long-range program and  
24 plan of improvements under this section.

25 6. Approve all rules prior to their adoption by the director  
26 pursuant to section 307.12, subsection 1, paragraph "j".

27 Sec. 26. NEW SECTION. 307A.3 Conflict of interest.

28 A person shall not serve as a member of the commission who  
29 has an interest in a contract or job of work or material or the  
30 profits thereof or service to be performed for the department.  
31 Any member of the commission who accepts employment with or  
32 acquires any stock, bonds, or other interest in any company  
33 or corporation doing business with the department shall be  
34 disqualified from remaining a member of the commission.

35 Sec. 27. NEW SECTION. 307A.4 Vacancies on commission.

1 1. Any vacancy in the membership of the commission shall be  
2 filled in the same manner as regular appointments are made for  
3 the unexpired portion of the regular term.

4 2. In the event the governor fails to make an appointment  
5 to fill a vacancy or fails to submit the appointment to the  
6 senate for confirmation as required by section 2.32, the senate  
7 may make the appointment prior to adjournment of the general  
8 assembly.

9 Sec. 28. NEW SECTION. 307A.5 **Compensation — commission**  
10 **members.**

11 Each member of the commission shall be compensated as  
12 provided in section 7E.6.

13 Sec. 29. NEW SECTION. 307A.6 **Commission meetings.**

14 The commission shall meet at the call of the chairperson or  
15 when any four members of the commission file a written request  
16 with the chairperson for a meeting. Written notice of the  
17 time and place of each meeting shall be given to each member  
18 of the commission. A majority of the commission members shall  
19 constitute a quorum.

20 Sec. 30. NEW SECTION. 307A.7 **Expenses.**

21 Members of the commission shall be allowed their actual and  
22 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.  
23 All expenses and salaries shall be paid from appropriations for  
24 such purposes.

25 Sec. 31. NEW SECTION. 307A.8 **Removal from office.**

26 Any member of the commission may be removed for any of  
27 the causes and in the manner provided in chapter 66 and such  
28 removal shall not be in lieu of any other punishment that may  
29 be prescribed by the laws of this state.

30 CONFORMING AMENDMENTS

31 Sec. 32. Section 173.16, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2014,  
32 is amended to read as follows:

33 All expenses incurred in maintaining the state fairgrounds  
34 and in conducting the annual fair on ~~it~~ the state fairgrounds,  
35 including the compensation and expenses of the officers,

1 members, and employees of the board, shall be recorded by the  
2 secretary and paid from the state fair receipts, unless a  
3 specific appropriation has been provided for that purpose. The  
4 board may request special capital improvement appropriations  
5 from the state and may request emergency funding from the  
6 executive council for natural disasters. The board may request  
7 that the department of transportation provide maintenance in  
8 accordance with section ~~307A.2~~ 307.24, subsection ~~11~~ 5.

9 Sec. 33. Section 312.2, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph  
10 1, Code 2014, is amended to read as follows:

11 The treasurer of state shall before making the allotments  
12 in subsection 1 credit annually to the highway grade crossing  
13 safety fund the sum of seven hundred thousand dollars, credit  
14 annually from the road use tax fund the sum of nine hundred  
15 thousand dollars to the highway railroad grade crossing surface  
16 repair fund, credit monthly to the primary road fund the  
17 dollars yielded from an allotment of sixty-five hundredths of  
18 one percent of all road use tax funds for the express purpose  
19 of carrying out ~~subsection 11 of section 307A.2,~~ section  
20 313.4, subsection 2, section 307.24, subsection 5, and section  
21 307.45, and credit annually to the primary road fund the sum of  
22 five hundred thousand dollars to be used for paying expenses  
23 incurred by the state department of transportation other than  
24 expenses incurred for extensions of primary roads in cities.  
25 All unobligated funds provided by this subsection, except those  
26 funds credited to the highway grade crossing safety fund, shall  
27 at the end of each year revert to the road use tax fund. Funds  
28 in the highway grade crossing safety fund shall not revert to  
29 the road use tax fund except to the extent they exceed five  
30 hundred thousand dollars at the end of any biennium. The cost  
31 of each highway railroad grade crossing repair project shall be  
32 allocated in the following manner:

33 Sec. 34. Section 312.4, subsection 5, Code 2014, is amended  
34 to read as follows:

35 5. The amount of the road use tax fund which has been

1 credited to carry out the provisions of ~~section 307A.2,~~  
2 ~~subsection 11,~~ section 313.4, subsection 2, section 307.24,  
3 subsection 5, and section 307.45.

4 Sec. 35. Section 313.4, subsection 2, Code 2014, is amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 2. Such fund is also appropriated and shall be used for the  
7 construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of  
8 state institutional roads and state park roads and bridges on  
9 such roads and roads and bridges on community college property  
10 as provided in section ~~307A.2~~ 307.24, subsection ~~11~~ 5, for  
11 restoration of secondary roads used as primary road detours and  
12 for compensation of counties for such use, for restoration of  
13 municipal streets so used and for compensation of cities for  
14 such use, and for the payments required in section 307.45.

15 DIVISION III

16 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

17 Sec. 36. Section 321.50, subsection 5, Code 2014, is amended  
18 by adding the following new paragraph:

19 NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* For purposes of this subsection, a  
20 security interest noted on an Iowa certificate of title and  
21 appearing in the statewide computer system and the county's  
22 records shall be presumed to be discharged upon presentation of  
23 a valid certificate of title subsequently issued by a foreign  
24 jurisdiction on which the security interest is no longer noted.

25 Sec. 37. Section 321.176A, subsection 1, Code 2014, is  
26 amended to read as follows:

27 1. A farmer or a person working for a farmer while operating  
28 a ~~commercial motor vehicle controlled by the farmer within one~~  
29 ~~hundred fifty air miles of the farmer's farm to transport the~~  
30 ~~farmer's own agricultural products, farm machinery, or farm~~  
31 ~~supplies to or from the farm~~ covered farm vehicle as defined  
32 in the federal Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century  
33 Act, Pub. L. No. 112-141, §32934. The exemption provided in  
34 this subsection shall apply to farmers who assist each other  
35 through an exchange of services and shall include operation of



1 a commercial motor vehicle between the farms of the farmers who  
2 are exchanging services.

3 Sec. 38. Section 321.187, Code 2014, is amended to read as  
4 follows:

5 **321.187 Examiners.**

6 1. The department shall examine applicants for driver's  
7 licenses. Examiners of the department shall wear an  
8 identifying badge and uniform provided by the department.

9 2. The department may by rule designate community colleges  
10 and other third party testers to administer the driving skills  
11 test required for a commercial driver's license, provided that  
12 all of the following occur:

13 a. The driving skills test is the same as that which would  
14 otherwise be administered by the state.

15 b. The ~~examiner~~ third party tester contractually agrees to  
16 comply with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. §383.75 as adopted by  
17 rule by the department.

18 c. Any third party skills test examiner used by the third  
19 party tester shall meet the requirements of 49 C.F.R. §383.75  
20 and 49 C.F.R. §384.228, as adopted by rule by the department.

21 3. As used in this section, "third party tester" and "third  
22 party skills test examiner" mean as defined in 49 C.F.R. §383.5.

23 Sec. 39. Section 321.257, subsection 2, paragraphs g and h,  
24 Code 2014, are amended to read as follows:

25 g. A "don't walk" or "steady upraised hand" light is a  
26 pedestrian signal which means that pedestrian traffic facing  
27 the illuminated pedestrian signal shall not start to cross  
28 the roadway in the direction of the pedestrian signal, and  
29 pedestrian traffic in the crossing shall proceed to a safety  
30 zone.

31 h. A "walk" or "walking person" light is a pedestrian signal  
32 which means that pedestrian traffic facing the illuminated  
33 pedestrian signal may proceed to cross the roadway in the  
34 direction of the pedestrian signal and shall be given the  
35 right-of-way by drivers of all vehicles.

1     Sec. 40. Section 321.257, subsection 2, Code 2014, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

3     NEW PARAGRAPH. *Og.* A "*flashing yellow arrow*" light shown  
4 alone or with another official traffic-control signal means  
5 vehicular traffic may cautiously enter the intersection  
6 and proceed only in the direction indicated by the arrow.  
7 Vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to other  
8 vehicles and pedestrians lawfully within the intersection and  
9 any vehicle on the opposing approach which is approaching so  
10 closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time  
11 the driver is moving within the intersection.

12     NEW PARAGRAPH. *Oh.* A "*flashing upraised hand*" or "*upraised*  
13 *hand with countdown*" light is a pedestrian signal which means  
14 that pedestrian traffic facing the illuminated pedestrian  
15 signal shall not start to cross the roadway in the direction of  
16 the pedestrian signal, and pedestrian traffic in the crossing  
17 shall proceed to a safety zone. The "*upraised hand with*  
18 *countdown*" light is a pedestrian signal that also provides the  
19 time remaining for the pedestrian to complete the crossing.

20     Sec. 41. Section 328.24, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2014,  
21 is amended to read as follows:

22     If, during the year for which an aircraft, except  
23 nonresident aircraft used for the application of herbicides  
24 and pesticides, was registered and the required fee paid, the  
25 aircraft is destroyed by fire or accident or junked, and its  
26 identity as an aircraft entirely eliminated, or ~~it~~ the aircraft  
27 is removed and continuously used beyond the boundaries of the  
28 state, then the owner in whose name it was registered at the  
29 time of destruction, dismantling, or removal from the state  
30 shall return the certificate of registration to the department  
31 within ~~ten~~ thirty days and make affidavit of the destruction,  
32 dismantling, or removal and make claim for the refund. The  
33 refund shall be paid from the general fund of the state.

34     Sec. 42. 2012 Iowa Acts, chapter 1129, section 4, is amended  
35 to read as follows:

1       SEC. 4. ROAD USE TAX FUND EFFICIENCY MEASURES —  
2 QUARTERLY REPORTS. The department of transportation shall  
3 submit quarterly reports in an electronic format to the  
4 co-chairpersons of the joint appropriations subcommittee on  
5 transportation, infrastructure, and capitals, the chairpersons  
6 of the senate and house standing committees on transportation,  
7 the department of management, and the legislative services  
8 agency regarding the implementation of efficiency measures  
9 identified in the "Road Use Tax Fund Efficiency Report",  
10 January 2012. The reports shall provide details of activities  
11 undertaken in the previous quarter relating to one-time and  
12 long-term program efficiencies and partnership efficiencies.  
13 Issues to be covered in the reports shall include but are  
14 not limited to savings realized from the implementation of  
15 particular efficiency measures; updates concerning measures  
16 that have not been implemented; efforts involving cities,  
17 counties, other jurisdictions, or stakeholder interest groups;  
18 any new efficiency measures identified or undertaken; and  
19 identification of any legislative action that may be required  
20 to achieve efficiencies. The first report shall be submitted  
21 by October 1, 2012. The final report shall be submitted by  
22 October 1, 2014.

23

EXPLANATION

24                   The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
25                   the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

26       This bill contains provisions relating to matters under the  
27 purview of the department of transportation (DOT).

28       DIVISION I — HIGHWAYS. Under current law, the DOT has  
29 the responsibility for regulating junkyards along interstate  
30 highways. This bill extends the scope of that responsibility  
31 to include all highways on the national highway system. The  
32 "national highway system" is designated by the federal highway  
33 administration in consultation with the DOT and consists of  
34 certain interconnected urban and rural principal arterials and  
35 highways.

1 The bill prohibits the establishment, operation, or  
2 maintenance of a junkyard within 1,000 feet of the nearest  
3 edge of the right-of-way of any highway on the national  
4 highway system unless the junkyard is not visible from the  
5 main-traveled portion of the highway or is screened from view;  
6 is located within areas zoned for industrial use; or is located  
7 in an unzoned industrial area defined by DOT regulations.  
8 However, a junkyard in a zoned or unzoned industrial area  
9 lawfully in existence on July 1, 2014, which is within 1,000  
10 feet of the right-of-way and visible from the main-traveled  
11 portion of the highway shall be screened, if feasible, by the  
12 DOT or by the owner at the direction of the DOT.

13 Under current law, the DOT regulates billboards along  
14 interstates and primary highways. The bill expands the scope  
15 of that regulation by redefining "primary highways" to include  
16 all highways on the national highway system and all highways  
17 on the federal-aid primary system as it existed on June 1,  
18 1991. Certain restrictions on the placement of advertising  
19 devices are amended to narrow the application to nonfreeway or  
20 noninterstate primary highways.

21 DIVISION II — TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AND COMMISSION.

22 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. Code chapter 307, which  
23 establishes the DOT, is amended and reorganized to reflect the  
24 current structure and responsibilities of the department and  
25 its various divisions. In addition, provisions which relate  
26 to the state transportation commission are repealed from Code  
27 chapter 307 and moved into Code chapter 307A, which relates  
28 more specifically to the commission.

29 STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION. Code chapter 307A,  
30 which currently contains some of the duties of the state  
31 transportation commission, is amended to include provisions  
32 establishing the commission and providing for its organization  
33 and membership. In addition, certain provisions which relate  
34 to duties actually performed by the department, and not the  
35 commission, are repealed from Code chapter 307A and moved into

1 Code chapter 307.

2 CONFORMING AMENDMENTS. Code sections that currently refer  
3 to provisions in Code chapters 307 and 307A are amended to  
4 update references in conjunction with the changes to those Code  
5 chapters by the bill.

6 DIVISION III — MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS. Code section  
7 321.50 is amended to provide that when a security interest is  
8 noted on an Iowa certificate of title and in the statewide  
9 computer system and the county's records, it can be presumed  
10 that the security interest has been discharged upon the  
11 presentation of a valid certificate of title subsequently  
12 issued by the foreign jurisdiction on which the security  
13 interest is no longer noted.

14 The bill amends a provision in Code section 321.176A which  
15 describes the exemption from commercial driver's license  
16 requirements that applies to farmers and persons working for  
17 farmers. The bill states that the exemption applies to a  
18 farmer or a person working for a farmer while operating a  
19 covered farm vehicle as defined in the 2012 federal Moving  
20 Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, also known as  
21 MAP-21, which authorizes surface transportation funding.

22 The bill amends Code section 321.187 to allow third party  
23 testers to administer the driving skills test required for a  
24 commercial driver's license, provided the third party tester  
25 administers the same test as that which would be administered  
26 by the state and complies with federal regulations for testing  
27 which are adopted by the department by rule. An examiner used  
28 by a third party tester must also meet federal requirements.

29 The bill amends Code section 321.257 to describe new colored  
30 lights and lighted symbols used on official traffic-control  
31 signals. The "steady upraised hand" light means the same as  
32 the "don't walk" light, and the "walking person" light means  
33 the same as the "walk" light. The "flashing upright hand" and  
34 the "upraised hand with countdown" lights are now pedestrian  
35 signals that indicate when to wait before crossing or proceed

1 to a safety zone, and the "upraised hand with countdown"  
2 light also indicates the time remaining for the pedestrian to  
3 complete the crossing. The "flashing yellow arrow" light means  
4 vehicular traffic may cautiously enter the intersection and  
5 proceed in the direction indicated by the arrow, but must yield  
6 the right-of-way to other vehicles and pedestrians lawfully in  
7 the intersection or approaching closely.

8 Under current law, when an aircraft that was registered  
9 in this state is destroyed by fire or accident or junked and  
10 its identity as an aircraft entirely eliminated, or when the  
11 aircraft is removed from the state, the owner has 10 days in  
12 which to return the certificate of title and claim a refund  
13 of the registration fee. The bill extends the deadline to 30  
14 days.

15 Pursuant to 2012 Acts, chapter 1129, section 4, the DOT  
16 is currently required to submit quarterly reports regarding  
17 the implementation of efficiency measures identified in the  
18 "Road Use Tax Fund Efficiency Report", January 2012. The bill  
19 requires submission of the final quarterly report by October 1,  
20 2014, thereby ending the reporting requirement.