

Senate File 56 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting the use of automated or remote traffic law
2 enforcement systems, requiring removal of existing systems,
3 and including effective date provisions.

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

1 Section 1. Section 321.492B, Code 2017, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 **321.492B Use of ~~unmanned aerial vehicle~~ automated or remote**
4 **systems for traffic law enforcement prohibited.**

5 The state or a political subdivision of the state shall not
6 use an unmanned aerial vehicle place or cause to be placed on
7 or adjacent to a highway, or maintain or employ the use of,
8 any automated or remote system for traffic law enforcement
9 including but not limited to an unmanned aerial vehicle and any
10 device with one or more sensors working in conjunction with a
11 traffic-control signal or device, signal light, speed measuring
12 device, or parking meter device.

13 Sec. 2. REMOVAL OF AUTOMATED OR REMOTE TRAFFIC LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS — VALIDITY OF PRIOR NOTICES AND
15 CITATIONS. On or before July 1, 2017, a local authority using
16 an automated or remote traffic law enforcement system shall
17 discontinue using the system and remove the system equipment.
18 Effective July 1, 2017, all local ordinances authorizing the
19 use of automated or remote traffic law enforcement systems are
20 void. However, any notice of violation mailed or any citation
21 issued pursuant to such an ordinance prior to July 1, 2017,
22 shall not be invalidated by the enactment of this Act and shall
23 be processed according to the provisions of the law under which
24 it was authorized.

25 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. The section of this
26 Act relating to the removal of automated or remote traffic
27 law enforcement systems and the validity of prior notices and
28 citations, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect
29 upon enactment.

30 EXPLANATION

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

33 This bill imposes a statewide prohibition on the placement
34 and use of automated or remote traffic law enforcement systems
35 including but not limited to unmanned aerial vehicles and any

1 devices with one or more sensors working in conjunction with a
2 traffic-control signal or device, signal light, speed measuring
3 device, or parking meter device. This provision of the bill
4 takes effect July 1, 2017.

5 Local authorities that are currently using automated or
6 remote traffic law enforcement systems must discontinue their
7 use and remove related equipment on or before July 1, 2017.
8 On that date, all local ordinances authorizing the use of
9 automated or remote traffic law enforcement systems are void.
10 However, notices of violations mailed or citations issued prior
11 to July 1, 2017, are not invalidated by the bill and remain
12 enforceable. These provisions of the bill take effect upon
13 enactment.