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BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 597)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act authorizing a criminal or juvenile justice agency to
- 2 redisseminate driver's license photos in missing persons
- 3 cases.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 692.3, Code 2022, is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 692.3 Redissemination of arrest data and other information.
- A criminal or juvenile justice agency may redisseminate
- 5 arrest data, and the name, photograph, physical description,
- 6 and other identifying information, concerning a person who is
- 7 wanted or being sought if a warrant for the arrest of that
- 8 person has been issued. Information relating to any threat the
- 9 person may pose to the public may also be redisseminated. The
- 10 information may be redisseminated through any written, audio,
- 11 or visual means utilized by a criminal or juvenile justice
- 12 agency. Any redissemination of information pursuant to this
- 13 section subsection shall also include the statement provided in
- 14 section 692.2, subsection 1, paragraph "b", subparagraph (5).
- 2. A criminal or juvenile justice agency may redisseminate
- 16 personal information that is in the form of a person's
- 17 photograph or digital image or a digital reproduction
- 18 of a person's photograph obtained from the department of
- 19 transportation in accordance with section 321.11 of any of the
- 20 following persons:
- 21 a. A missing person, as defined in section 694.1.
- 22 b. A person identified in a missing person report involving
- 23 an unemancipated minor and there are reasonable grounds
- 24 to suspect that the person is involved with the minor's
- 25 disappearance.
- 26 3. The information described in this section may be
- 27 redisseminated through any written, audio, or visual means
- 28 utilized by a criminal or juvenile justice agency.
- 29 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 32 Under current law, the department of transportation (DOT)
- 33 is prohibited from releasing personal information that is
- 34 in the form of a person's photograph or digital image or a
- 35 digital reproduction of a person's photograph. However, the

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- 1 DOT is authorized to share such information with an officer or
- 2 employee of a law enforcement agency, an employee of a federal
- 3 or state agency or political subdivision in the performance
- 4 of the employee's official duties, a contract employee of the
- 5 department of inspections and appeals in the conduct of an
- 6 investigation, or a licensed private investigation agency or
- 7 a licensed security service, regardless of whether a person
- 8 has provided express written consent to disclosure of the
- 9 information.
- 10 Also under current law, a criminal or juvenile justice
- 11 agency is authorized to redisseminate arrest data, and the
- 12 name, photograph, physical description, and other identifying
- 13 information, concerning a person who is wanted or being sought
- 14 if a warrant for the arrest of that person has been issued.
- This bill authorizes a criminal or juvenile justice agency
- 16 to redisseminate personal information that is in the form of a
- 17 person's photograph or digital image or a digital reproduction
- 18 of a person's photograph obtained from the DOT pursuant to
- 19 current law of (1) a missing person or (2) a person identified
- 20 in a missing person report involving an unemancipated minor
- 21 where there are reasonable grounds to suspect that the person
- 22 is involved with the minor's disappearance.