

House File 589 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 230)

(COMPANION TO SF 111 BY
COURNOYER)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring the state transportation commission to
2 prioritize the improvement of United States highway 30.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 307A.2, subsection 5, Code 2023, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 5. Identify, within the primary road system, a network
4 of commercial and industrial highways in accordance with
5 section 313.2A. The improvement of this network shall be
6 considered in the development of the long-range program and
7 plan of improvements under this section. The commission shall
8 prioritize the improvement of the segment of the highway known
9 as United States highway 30 which crosses this state from the
10 Missouri river west of Missouri Valley to the Mississippi river
11 east of Clinton and shall include in its long-range program
12 under subsection 3 plans to expand all portions of the highway
13 consisting of two-lane roadways to four-lane divided roadways
14 until the entire length of the highway is made up of four-lane
15 divided roadways.

16 EXPLANATION

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

19 Current law delegates to the state transportation commission
20 duties to develop, coordinate, and annually update a
21 comprehensive transportation policy and plan for the state.
22 The commission is required to prepare, adopt, and publish a
23 long-range program for the primary road system. The program is
24 required to be prepared for a period of at least five years and
25 is required to be revised, brought up to date, and republished
26 at least once every year in order to have a continuing
27 five-year program.

28 This bill requires the commission to prioritize the
29 improvement of United States highway 30 and to include in its
30 long-range program plans to expand all portions of the highway
31 consisting of two-lane roadways to four-lane divided roadways
32 until the entire length of the highway is made up of four-lane
33 divided roadways.