

House Study Bill 170 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON BEST)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to department of transportation employees
2 designated as peace officers, and including effective date
3 provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. REPEAL. 2017 Iowa Acts, chapter 149, section
2 4, as amended by 2018 Iowa Acts, chapter 1170, section 3, 2019
3 Iowa Acts, chapter 7, section 1, and 2022 Iowa Acts, chapter
4 1082, section 1, is repealed.

5 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
6 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

7 EXPLANATION

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

10 In 2017, the general assembly amended Code section 321.477
11 to specify the powers, duties, and limitations of employees of
12 the department of transportation (DOT) who are designated as
13 peace officers by the DOT. Under the terms of the legislation,
14 the amended language was set to be repealed effective July 1,
15 2018. The general assembly has extended the future repeal
16 provision three times. This bill repeals the future repeal
17 provision, thereby making the specified powers, duties, and
18 limitations of DOT employees who are designated as peace
19 officers permanent. The bill takes effect upon enactment.