

Senate File 2278 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3105)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to information required for nonresidents who
2 apply for vehicle registration and issuance of a certificate
3 of title.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.20, subsection 1, paragraph f, Code
2 2024, is amended to read as follows:

3 f. (1) If Except as provided in subparagraph (2), if the
4 vehicle is owned by a nonresident but is subject to issuance of
5 an Iowa certificate of title or registration, the application
6 ~~shall~~ must also contain the full legal name, Iowa driver's
7 license number or Iowa nonoperator's identification card
8 number, date of birth, bona fide residence, and mailing address
9 of the primary user of the vehicle. If the primary user is a
10 firm, association, or corporation, the application ~~shall~~ must
11 contain the bona fide business address and federal employer
12 identification number of the primary user. The primary user's
13 name and address shall not be printed on the registration
14 receipt or the certificate of title.

15 (2) If the vehicle is owned by a nonresident who owns
16 residential real property, as defined in section 535B.1, or
17 land suitable for use in farming in this state, the vehicle is
18 used primarily at the Iowa property, and the vehicle is subject
19 to issuance of an Iowa certificate of title or registration,
20 the application must include reasonable proof, as determined
21 by the department, that the nonresident owns residential
22 real property, and may contain the owner's driver's license
23 number or nonoperator's identification card number issued by
24 another state in lieu of both the primary user's information
25 required under subparagraph (1) and the owner's Iowa driver's
26 license number or Iowa nonoperator's identification card number
27 required under paragraph "a". The department shall adopt rules
28 regarding acceptable proof of ownership of residential real
29 property required under this subparagraph, including but not
30 limited to a copy of the deed or utility payment receipts.

31 EXPLANATION

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

34 Current law requires an owner of a vehicle to apply for
35 registration and issuance of a certificate of title if the

1 vehicle is required to be registered. The application must
2 include information about the owner, the vehicle, non-owner
3 interests in the vehicle, if applicable, the amount of the fee
4 for new registration, and other information as may reasonably
5 be required by the department of transportation (DOT). In
6 particular, the owner's full legal name, social security
7 number or Iowa driver's license number or Iowa nonoperator's
8 identification card number, date of birth, bona fide residence,
9 and mailing address are required.

10 In addition, if the vehicle is owned by a nonresident
11 but still subject to issuance of a certificate of title
12 or registration in Iowa, the application must also contain
13 the full legal name, Iowa driver's license number or Iowa
14 nonoperator's identification card number, date of birth, bona
15 fide residence, and mailing address of the primary user of the
16 vehicle.

17 This bill provides for alternative application information
18 required for certain nonresidents. Nonresidents who own
19 residential real property or land suitable for use in
20 farming in Iowa that are registering a vehicle that is used
21 primarily at that property may instead apply using the owner's
22 driver's license number or nonoperator's identification card
23 number issued by another state in lieu of both the primary
24 user's information and the Iowa's driver's license number or
25 nonoperator's identification card number required under current
26 law. A nonresident who applies for registration and issuance
27 of a certificate of title under the bill is required to provide
28 reasonable proof that the nonresident owns such property in
29 Iowa. The DOT must adopt rules regarding acceptable proof of
30 property ownership, including but not limited to a copy of a
31 deed or utility payment receipts. For purposes of the bill,
32 "residential real property" means real property, which is an
33 owner-occupied single-family or two-family dwelling, located in
34 this state, occupied or used or intended to be occupied or used
35 for residential purposes, including an interest in any real

1 property covered under Code chapter 499B (horizontal property
2 (condominiums)).

3 In accordance with current law, a nonresident is required to
4 apply for registration and issuance of certificate of title for
5 a vehicle subject to registration to the county treasurer of
6 the county where the primary user of the vehicle is located.