

Senate Study Bill 3087 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON KLIMESH)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring a vehicle history report prior to the sale of
2 certain motor vehicles by a dealer, and making penalties
3 applicable.

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

1 Section 1. Section 322.3, Code 2024, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 18. A motor vehicle dealer licensed under
4 this chapter shall not sell or conduct a retail auction of
5 a motor vehicle acquired from a person not within this state
6 unless the dealer obtains a vehicle history report for the
7 vehicle. For purposes of this subsection, "*vehicle history*
8 *report*" means a report detailing previous events involving a
9 vehicle based on the unique vehicle identification number,
10 including but not limited to events relating to the vehicle's
11 title and, if applicable, recall notifications, insurance
12 claims, accident reports, damage reports, and theft reports.

13 EXPLANATION

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

16 This bill prohibits a licensed motor vehicle dealer from
17 selling or conducting a retail auction of a motor vehicle
18 acquired from a person not within Iowa unless the dealer first
19 obtains a vehicle history report. The bill defines "vehicle
20 history report".

21 Current law requires a person engaged in the business of
22 selling motor vehicles to apply for and obtain a motor vehicle
23 dealer license. The department of transportation may deny,
24 suspend, or revoke a motor vehicle dealer license held by a
25 person who has not complied with the provisions of Code chapter
26 322, including the provisions of the bill, or associated
27 administrative rules. By operation of law, a person who
28 violates the bill is guilty of a simple misdemeanor punishable
29 by a fine of not less than \$250 nor more than \$1,500 or by
30 imprisonment not to exceed 30 days.