

House File 822 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a local authority's ability to determine
2 the streets or highways on which vehicles operating under an
3 all-systems permit are authorized to operate.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 321E.3, subsection 1, paragraph b,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) The department may issue all-systems permits under
4 section 321E.8 which are valid for movement on all paved highways
5 or streets, except the interstate road system if prohibited
6 under section 321E.8, and except any highways or streets under
7 the jurisdiction of local authorities upon which an all-systems
8 permit is not valid as determined by the applicable local
9 authority if the local authority indicates such highways and
10 streets to the department in writing, including by means of
11 electronic communication. However, a local authority shall not
12 determine that any paved farm-to-market road, or highway or
13 street designated as a truck route, is not valid for purposes
14 of an all-systems permit without justification. In addition, a
15 local authority shall not determine that every paved highway and
16 street under its jurisdiction is not valid for purposes of an
17 all-systems permit. A highway or street under the jurisdiction
18 of a local authority upon which movement under an all-systems
19 permit is valid shall connect with a highway or street under
20 the jurisdiction of the state, or with another highway or
21 street upon which movement under an all-systems permit is valid
22 that ultimately connects with a highway or street under the
23 jurisdiction of the state.

24 EXPLANATION

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

27 Under current law, the department of transportation (DOT) is
28 authorized to issue an all-systems permit that is valid for
29 movement on all paved highways or streets, except the interstate
30 road system under certain circumstances, and except any highways
31 or streets under the jurisdiction of local authorities upon
32 which an all-systems permit is not valid as determined by the
33 applicable local authority, if the local authority indicates
34 such highways and streets to the DOT in writing, including
35 by means of electronic communication. A local authority is

1 prohibited from determining that certain roads, streets, or
2 highways are not valid for purposes of an all-systems permit
3 without justification. Despite a determination by a local
4 authority that a certain street or highway is not valid for
5 purposes of an all-systems permit, a person who is issued an
6 all-systems permit may operate a permitted vehicle over the most
7 direct route between the location where the vehicle is loaded or
8 is to be unloaded and the nearest highway or street upon which
9 movement under an all-systems permit is valid.

10 This bill prohibits a local authority from determining that
11 every paved highway or street under its jurisdiction is not valid
12 for purposes of an all-systems permit.

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