

House Study Bill 697 - Introduced

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

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to human trafficking prevention training for
2 persons applying for certain commercial driver's licenses.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **321.175 Human trafficking**
2 **prevention training — commercial drivers.**

3 1. An applicant for a class A, B, or C commercial driver's
4 license must certify to the department that the applicant
5 successfully completed a course of instruction regarding the
6 operation of a motor vehicle that included approved human
7 trafficking prevention training.

8 2. A person who offers a course of instruction regarding the
9 operation of a commercial motor vehicle shall provide at least
10 thirty minutes of approved human trafficking prevention training
11 as part of the course. The training shall not be offered in a
12 language other than English.

13 3. The department shall approve, in cooperation with the
14 department of education and the state board of education,
15 human trafficking prevention training materials regarding the
16 recognition, prevention, and reporting of human trafficking. The
17 departments may collaborate with other entities that specialize
18 in and produce training materials regarding the recognition,
19 prevention, and reporting of human trafficking particularly for
20 persons who operate commercial motor vehicles. The departments
21 shall make the approved human trafficking prevention training
22 materials available to the public. The departments shall review
23 and update the departments' approved human trafficking prevention
24 training materials to account for changes and trends in human
25 trafficking at least once every three years.

26 4. The department may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to
27 administer this section.

28 Sec. 2. Section 321.188, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
29 by adding the following new paragraph:

30 NEW PARAGRAPH. *h.* For a person applying for a class A, B,
31 or C commercial driver's license, certify that the applicant
32 has completed approved human trafficking prevention training in
33 accordance with section 321.175.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

1 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

2 This bill relates to human trafficking prevention training for
3 persons who apply for a class A, B, or C commercial driver's
4 license (CDL). The bill requires such an applicant to certify
5 to the department of transportation (DOT) that the applicant
6 successfully completed a course of instruction regarding the
7 operation of a motor vehicle that included approved human
8 trafficking prevention training.

9 The bill requires a person who offers a course of instruction
10 regarding the operation of a commercial motor vehicle to provide
11 at least 30 minutes of approved human trafficking prevention
12 training in English as part of the course.

13 Under the bill, the DOT must approve, in cooperation with
14 the department of education and the state board of education,
15 human trafficking prevention training materials regarding the
16 recognition, prevention, and reporting of human trafficking,
17 and make the approved materials available to the public. The
18 departments may collaborate with other entities that specialize
19 in and produce training materials regarding the recognition,
20 prevention, and reporting of human trafficking particularly for
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