

Senate Study Bill 3024 - Introduced

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

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the verification of citizenship and
2 immigration status of persons who apply for or renew a
3 driver's license or nonoperator's identification card.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **321.183A Citizenship and**
2 **immigration status verification.**

3 1. The department shall use the SAVE program, or any
4 successor federal verification system, to verify the United
5 States citizenship and immigration status of each person who
6 applies for issuance or renewal of a driver's license or
7 nonoperator's identification card and who does not provide proof
8 that the person is a United States citizen. The department
9 shall not issue or renew a driver's license or nonoperator's
10 identification card if the person does not provide proof the
11 person is a United States citizen and the department is unable
12 to verify the person's status as lawfully present in the United
13 States.

14 2. For purposes of this section, "SAVE program" means the
15 systematic alien verification for entitlements system of the
16 United States department of homeland security and the United
17 States citizenship and immigration services.

18 EXPLANATION

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

21 This bill requires the department of transportation (DOT) to
22 use the federal systematic alien verification for entitlements
23 system to verify the U.S. citizenship and immigration status of
24 each person who applies for issuance or renewal of a driver's
25 license or nonoperator's identification card and who does not
26 provide proof that the person is a U.S. citizen. The bill
27 prohibits the DOT from issuing or renewing a driver's license or
28 nonoperator's identification card if the person does not provide
29 proof the person is a U.S. citizen and the DOT is unable to
30 verify the person's status as lawfully present in the United
31 States.