SENATE FILE 2284
BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2034)

(As Amended and Passed by the Senate March 10, 2026)

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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the use of automated systems that detect traffic violations or registration plate information, and making penalties applicable.

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

Section 1. Section 321P.4, Code 2026, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. *a.* A person shall not provide an image of a registration plate or any other accompanying data to a third party unless the third party is one of the following:

(1) A peace officer or law enforcement agency.

(2) A person who is under contract with a law enforcement agency solely to protect public safety, conduct criminal investigations, or ensure compliance with federal, state, or local law.

(3) The national insurance crime bureau or its successor organization, an insurance carrier, or an insurance support organization if the information is provided solely to investigate insurance fraud, recover a vehicle, or adjudicate an insurance claim.

b. Paragraph *"a"* shall not be construed to authorize a nongovernmental third party to provide an image of a registration plate or any other accompanying data to another nongovernmental third party.

Sec. 2. Section 321P.4, subsection 4, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

4. A person who violates subsection 1 or 2A commits a simple misdemeanor.

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **321P.4A Automated vehicle noise enforcement systems.**

1. A local authority shall not issue a citation for a violation detected by an automated vehicle noise enforcement system based on noise emitted from the use of a vehicle's brake or exhaust system while the vehicle is reducing speed.

2. A citation issued in violation of subsection 1 is void and unenforceable.

3. For purposes of this section, *"automated vehicle noise enforcement system"* means a camera or other optical device designed to work in conjunction with a noise measuring device to detect and automatically capture or store an image or any

accompanying data of a vehicle emitting noise that exceeds a specified noise level restriction.

Sec. 4. Section 321P.7, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

a. Notwithstanding subsection 1, a local authority shall provide the owner of a motor vehicle who receives a citation for a violation detected by a system with an opportunity to submit evidence that the owner was not operating the motor vehicle at the time of the violation. As part of the proceeding, the owner ~~shall~~ may provide the name and address of the person who was operating the motor vehicle at the time of the violation. A citation issued to an owner who submits evidence sufficient to prove that the owner was not operating the motor vehicle at the time of the violation shall be dismissed and the owner shall not be required to pay a fee if the citation is not amended pursuant to paragraph *"b"*.

Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. **321P.7A Liability for violations other than speed violations.**

1. A local authority that issues a citation for a violation other than for excessive speed that was detected using a camera or other optical device designed to work in conjunction with another device to detect a violation of section 321.256, 321.257, 321.436, or any other traffic law, and to automatically capture or store an image or any accompanying data of a motor vehicle violating the traffic law, shall provide the owner of the motor vehicle who received a citation with an opportunity to submit evidence that the owner was not operating the motor vehicle at the time of the violation.

2. As part of the proceeding, the owner may provide the name and address of the person who was operating the motor vehicle at the time of the violation. Notwithstanding section 321.133, a citation issued to an owner who submits evidence sufficient to prove that the owner was not operating the motor vehicle at the time of the violation shall be dismissed and the owner shall not be required to pay a fee if the citation is not

amended pursuant to subsection 3.

3. A citation issued to the owner of a motor vehicle may be amended and issued to the person identified under subsection 2 who was operating the motor vehicle.