

9 *any inspection order presented that the certificate of inspection has*  
 10 *been issued and forward the inspection order to the department. Ex-*  
 11 *cept as otherwise provided, the certificate shall be valid for the period*  
 12 *commencing with the calendar month of issue and ending at midnight*  
 13 *on the last day of the twelfth calendar month following the month of*  
 14 *issue and shall not be valid thereafter. The certificate shall cease to be*  
 15 *valid if the vehicle is sold at retail during the twelve-month period.*

1 SEC. 4. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred thirty-  
 2 eight (321.238), subsection thirteen (13), Code 1975, is amended to  
 3 read as follows:

4 13. Any peace officer who makes an investigation of an accident  
 5 may direct that any motor vehicle involved in the accident shall be in-  
 6 spected at an official inspection station within the time fixed by such  
 7 peace officer *but in all cases within a period no longer than fourteen*  
 8 *days. If the vehicle is undergoing repairs or parts necessary to make*  
 9 *repairs are on order, the motor vehicle need not be inspected until*  
 10 *such repairs are completed; provided, however, the motor vehicle*  
 11 *shall not be driven upon the highways until the repairs have been*  
 12 *completed and the vehicle has passed inspection, except to move it*  
 13 *to and from an inspection station.*

14 *The peace officer shall include in the report required by section*  
 15 *three hundred twenty-one point two hundred sixty-six (321.266) of*  
 16 *the Code the date by which the inspection must be performed.*

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This Act was passed by the G.A. prior to July 1, 1975; see §3.7 of the Code

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## CHAPTER 173

### TRAILER REGISTRATION

#### H. F. 724

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles providing for registration of trailers and semitrailers for a three-year period and trip permits for commercial vehicles and the authority of the state department of transportation to negotiate vehicle registration apportionment agreements and providing a penalty.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point thirty-four  
 2 (321.34), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new unnum-  
 3 bered paragraph:

4 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. In lieu of issuing annual registra-  
 5 tion plates for trailers and semitrailers, the county treasurer or depart-  
 6 ment may issue a multi-year registration plate for a three-year period  
 7 upon payment of the appropriate registration fee. This section shall  
 8 not apply to trailers and semitrailers registered pursuant to chapter  
 9 three hundred twenty-six (326) of the Code.

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred twenty-one point thirty-nine  
 2 (321.39), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 **321.39 Expiration of registration.** Every vehicle registration un-  
 4 der this chapter and every registration card and registration plate is-  
 5 sued hereunder *except multi-year registration plates issued for*

6 trailers or semitrailers registered for a period of three years shall ex-  
 7 pire at midnight on the thirty-first day of December of each year. The  
 8 provisions of this section shall not apply to any vehicle which is regis-  
 9 tered without the payment of fees as provided in section 321.19, but  
 10 the registration plate or plates issued for such vehicle shall remain val-  
 11 id until suspended or revoked or canceled by the department, or until  
 12 the title or ownership of such vehicle has been transferred.

1 SEC. 3. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred five  
 2 (321.105), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new unnum-  
 3 bered paragraph:

4 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. In addition to the payment of an an-  
 5 nual registration fee for each trailer and semitrailer to be issued an  
 6 Iowa registration plate, an additional registration fee may be paid for  
 7 a period of two subsequent registration years. This section shall not ap-  
 8 ply to trailers and semitrailers registered pursuant to chapter three  
 9 hundred twenty-six (326) of the Code.

1 SEC. 4. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred twenty-  
 2 six (321.126), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new  
 3 unnumbered paragraph:

4 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. A refund for trailers and semitrailers  
 5 issued a multi-year registration plate shall be paid by the department  
 6 upon application.

1 SEC. 5. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred twenty-  
 2 seven (321.127), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 **321.127 Amount of refund.** For December and each succeeding  
 4 month the refund for motor vehicles shall be computed on the basis of  
 5 one-fourth of the annual registration fee multiplied by the number of  
 6 remaining quarters of the year from date of the return of the vehicles  
 7 plates to the county treasurer, computed to the nearest quarter dollar.  
 8 The department shall make refund on or before the fifteenth day of  
 9 the quarter following the quarter in which the claim is filed with the  
 10 department. *For trailers or semitrailers issued a multi-year registra-*  
 11 *tion plate a refund shall be paid equal to the annual fee for twelve*  
 12 *months times the remaining number of complete calendar years.*

1 SEC. 6. Section three hundred twenty-six point two (326.2), subsec-  
 2 tion seven (7), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 7. "Fleet" means ~~two~~ one or more commercial vehicles ~~at least one~~  
 4 ~~of which is a motor vehicle.~~

1 SEC. 7. Section three hundred twenty-six point six (326.6), Code  
 2 1975, is amended by adding the following subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION.

4 3. The department may negotiate apportionment agreements on ei-  
 5 ther a vehicle or a dollar basis. In apportionment on a vehicle basis, a  
 6 sufficient number of vehicles shall be registered to produce total fee  
 7 payments not less than an amount obtained by applying the propor-  
 8 tion of in-state fleet miles to total fleet miles to the fees which would  
 9 otherwise be required for total fleet registration in this state.

1 SEC. 8. Section three hundred twenty-six point twenty-three  
 2 (326.23), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in  
 3 lieu thereof the following:

4 **326.23 Trip permits.**

5 1. The owner of a commercial vehicle which is properly registered  
 6 and licensed in some other jurisdiction and is to be operated occasion-

7 ally on highways in this state, may in lieu of payment of the annual  
8 registration fee for such vehicle obtain a trip permit authorizing opera-  
9 tion of the vehicle on the highways of this state in interstate commerce  
10 for a period of not to exceed seventy-two hours. The fee for the trip  
11 permit shall be ten dollars.

12 2. The department may enter into agreements with owners and oper-  
13 ators of truck stops to permit the owners and operators of truck stops to  
14 issue trip permits subject to any conditions imposed by the depart-  
15 ment. In addition to the trip permit fee, the owner or operator of a  
16 truck stop may charge an issuance fee of not more than one dollar. For  
17 the purposes of this section, "truck stop" means any place of business  
18 which sells fuel normally used by trucks and which is open twenty-four  
19 hours per day.

1 SEC. 9. Section three hundred twenty-six point twenty-seven  
2 (326.27), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 **326.27 Violations to negate agreements.** Operation of a com-  
4 mercial vehicle or vehicles in violation of the requirements of this  
5 chapter, the motor vehicle registration laws of this state, or the terms  
6 of any agreement negotiated by the department pursuant to this chap-  
7 ter may, after due notice and hearing, be grounds for denial of recip-  
8 rocal or proportional registration privileges on the vehicle or vehicles of  
9 an owner so operated. Any owner denied such reciprocal or proportion-  
10 al registration privileges shall be subject to payment of full annual  
11 Iowa registration fees on any such vehicle operated on Iowa highways.  
12 In addition to denial of reciprocal or proportional registration privi-  
13 leges, it shall be a misdemeanor *punishable upon conviction by a*  
14 *fine of not more than one hundred dollars or imprisonment in the*  
15 *county jail for not more than thirty days*, unless such act is declared  
16 under Iowa law to be a felony, ~~punishable as provided in section~~  
17 ~~321.482~~ for any person to operate under reciprocity or proportional reg-  
18 istration in violation of any requirements of this chapter.

1 SEC. 10. Chapter three hundred twenty-seven B (327B), Code 1975,  
2 is amended by adding the following new section:

3 NEW SECTION. Any person violating the provisions of this chapter  
4 shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than one  
5 hundred dollars or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than  
6 thirty days.

1 SEC. 11. The provisions of sections one (1) through five (5) of this  
2 Act shall become effective December 1, 1976 for trailers and semitrail-  
3 ers registered on or after December 1, 1976 for the 1977 registration  
4 year.

1 SEC. 12. Section three hundred twenty-six point twenty-four  
2 (326.24), Code 1975, is repealed.

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This Act was passed by the G.A. prior to July 1, 1975; see §3.7 of the Code