

CHAPTER 82
APPLICATIONS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION
S.F. 379

AN ACT relating to the motor vehicle code by extending the time period under which a vehicle may be operated under a "registration applied for" card, by extending the time period under which a dealer may file an application for registration and certificate of title, and by allowing a dealer under certain circumstances to display for sale a motor vehicle without first having obtained a certificate of title.

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

Section 1. Section 321.25, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

A vehicle may be operated upon the highways of this state without registration plates for a period of ~~twenty~~ thirty days after the date of delivery of the vehicle to the purchaser from a dealer if a card bearing the words "registration applied for" is attached on the rear of the vehicle. The card shall have plainly stamped or stenciled the registration number of the dealer from whom the vehicle was purchased and the date of delivery of the vehicle. A dealer shall not issue a card to a person known to the dealer to be in possession of registration plates which may be attached to the vehicle. A dealer shall not issue a card unless an application for registration and certificate of title has been made by the purchaser and a receipt issued to the purchaser of the vehicle showing the fee paid by the person making the application. Dealers' records shall indicate the agency to which the fee is sent and the date the fee is sent. The dealer shall forward the application by the purchaser to the county treasurer or state office within ~~seven~~ fifteen calendar days from the date of delivery of the vehicle.

Sec. 2. Section 321.46, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

The transferee shall within ~~seven~~ fifteen calendar days after purchase or transfer apply for and obtain from the county treasurer of the person's residence, or if a nonresident, the county treasurer of the county where the primary users of the vehicle are located or the county where all other vehicles owned by the nonresident are registered, a transfer of registration and a new certificate of title for ~~such~~ the vehicle except as provided in section 321.25 or 321.48. The transferee shall present with the application the certificate of title endorsed and assigned by the previous owner and the signed registration card. The transferee shall be required to list a motor vehicle license number as part of the application for a registration transfer and a new title. The motor vehicle license number shall not be the social security number of the transferee unless requested by the transferee.

Sec. 3. Section 321.48, subsection 1, Code 1983, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. A dealer licensed pursuant to chapter 322 or chapter 322C who has acquired a vehicle for resale which is subject to a security interest as provided in section 321.50 and who has forwarded to the secured party the sum necessary to discharge the security interest may offer the vehicle for sale prior to the receipt from the county treasurer of the certificate of title for the vehicle with the lien discharged for a period of not more than twenty days from the date the vehicle was acquired and the provisions of section 321.104, subsection 2 shall not apply.

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