

2. The secretary of state shall appoint members of the general assembly as notaries public and may revoke the appointment for cause.

Sec. 2. Section 77.2, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:  
77.2 TERMS.

The term of a notary who is an Iowa resident is three years. The term of a notary who is a resident of a state bordering Iowa and whose place of work or business is in Iowa, is one year. The term of a notary who is a member of the general assembly is the member's term of office.

Sec. 3. Section 77.4, subsections 2, 3, and 4, Code 1987, are amended by striking the subsections.

Sec. 4. Section 77.4, subsection 5, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:

Remit the sum of fifteen dollars to the secretary of state. Persons appointed as notaries under section 77.1, subsection 2, are not subject to the fee imposed by this subsection.

Sec. 5. Section 77.6, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:  
77.6 REVOCATION – NOTICE.

Should the commission of any a person appointed notary public be revoked by the secretary of state, the secretary shall immediately notify such the person through the mail. The notice shall state the cause of the revocation and shall inform the person of the right to a hearing on the revocation. The secretary of state shall adopt rules under chapter 17A to provide for a hearing for persons whose commission is revoked.

Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 77.8 DISCRETION – LIMITATION.

A notary public may exercise reasonable discretion in performing or declining to perform notarial services, but a notary shall not condition the performance of notarial services upon the requirement that the person served be a customer or client of the establishment by which the notary is employed.

The employer of a notary public shall not condition the performing of notarial services upon the requirement that the person served be a customer or client of the establishment by which the notary is employed.

Sec. 7. Sections 77.15 and 77.16, Code 1987, are repealed.

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**CHAPTER 1007**  
**IN-TRANSIT STICKERS**  
*H.F. 2193*

**AN ACT** to increase the time period for which in-transit stickers are valid.

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

Section 1. Section 321.109, subsection 2, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:

2. Dealers may, in addition to other provisions of this section, purchase from the department in-transit stickers, for which a fee of two dollars per sticker shall be paid at time of purchase. One such sticker shall be displayed on each vehicle purchased from a dealer by a

nonresident for removal to the state of the nonresident's residence, and one such sticker shall also be displayed on each vehicle not currently registered in Iowa and purchased by an Iowa dealer for removal to the dealer's place of business in this state. The stickers shall be void ~~three~~ fifteen days after issuance by the selling dealer. Each sticker shall contain the following information:

- a. The words "in-transit" in bold type.
- b. The dealer's license number.
- c. The date issued.
- d. The purchaser's name and address.
- e. The word "Iowa" in bold type.
- f. The words "good for ~~three~~ fifteen days after the date of issuance".
- g. Other information the director requires.

This information shall be on the gummed side of the sticker and the sticker shall be made of a type of material which is self-destructive when the sticker is removed. The sales invoice verifying the sale shall be in the possession of the driver of the vehicle in transit and shall be signed by the owner or an authorized individual of the issuing dealership.

Motor vehicles brought into the state on a transit sticker for the purpose of installation of special equipment may also be subject to the provisions of this subsection.

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## CHAPTER 1008

### VESSELS — WATERCRAFT

*H.F. 2011*

**AN ACT** relating to the ownership of certain vessels by defining vessel, by requiring a certificate of origin for certain vessels, by requiring the purchaser of a registered vessel to obtain a certificate of title, by providing for the perfection of a security interest, and by providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 106.2, subsection 29, Code Supplement 1987, is amended to read as follows:  
29. "Vessel" means every description of watercraft, other than a seaplane, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water or ice. Ice boats are watercraft. ~~The term includes the vessel's motor, spars, sails, and accessories.~~

Sec. 2. Section 106.77, subsection 3, Code Supplement 1987, is amended to read as follows:  
3. A person who, on January 1, 1988, is the owner of a vessel seventeen feet or longer in length with a valid certificate of number issued by the state is not required to file an application for a certificate of title for the vessel ~~unless the person transfers an interest in the vessel.~~ A person who, on or after January 1, 1988, purchases a vessel seventeen feet or longer in length which was registered with a valid certificate of number issued by this state before January 1, 1988, shall obtain a certificate of title for the vessel.

Sec. 3. Section 106.79, Code Supplement 1987, is amended to read as follows:  
106.79 OBTAINING MANUFACTURER'S OR IMPORTER'S CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN. A manufacturer or dealer shall not transfer ownership of a new vessel required to be titled