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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring a "school license" motor vehicle sticker to be
2 displayed by an operator with a special minor's license and
3 providing penalties.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 321.194, Code 2005, is amended by
2 adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. A person who is licensed under this
4 section shall be issued a sticker to be affixed on the lower
5 left side of the rear window of the motor vehicle operated by
6 the licensee. The sticker shall be fluorescent yellow-green
7 in color, bear the words "school license", and bear an
8 identifying number determined by the department. A licensee
9 may be issued more than one sticker as determined by the
10 department by rule. A person who is licensed to drive under
11 this section shall not operate a motor vehicle that is not
12 clearly displaying the sticker required under this subsection.

13 Sec. 2. Section 321.194, subsection 2, Code 2005, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 2. SUSPENSION, AND REVOCATION, AND CANCELLATION.

16 a. A driver's license issued under this section is subject
17 to suspension or revocation for the same reasons and in the
18 same manner as suspension or revocation of any other driver's
19 license. The department may also suspend a driver's license
20 issued under this section upon receiving satisfactory evidence
21 that the licensee has violated the restrictions of the license
22 or has been involved in one or more accidents chargeable to
23 the licensee. The department may suspend a driver's license
24 issued under this section upon receiving a record of the
25 licensee's conviction for one violation. The department shall
26 revoke the license upon receiving a record of conviction for
27 two or more violations of a law of this state or a city
28 ordinance regulating the operation of motor vehicles on
29 highways other than parking violations as defined in section
30 321.210. After a person licensed under this section receives
31 two or more convictions which require revocation of the
32 person's license under this section, the department shall not
33 grant an application for a new driver's license until the
34 expiration of one year.

35 b. The department shall immediately cancel a license

1 issued under this section upon receiving satisfactory evidence
2 that the licensee has violated the provisions of subsection
3 1A. A person whose license is canceled under this paragraph
4 shall not be issued another license under this section.

5 EXPLANATION

6 This bill requires that a motor vehicle operator who holds
7 a special minor's license must display a sticker on the lower
8 left side of the rear window of the vehicle. The sticker is
9 to be fluorescent yellow-green and bear the words "school
10 license" and an identifying number determined by the state
11 department of transportation. The department has the
12 discretion to issue more than one sticker to a licensee.

13 Current law provides that a special minor's license is
14 available, upon certification by school authorities of a
15 special need, to a person between 14 and 18 years of age to
16 drive to and from school and certain school activities within
17 the school district, provided the person has completed an
18 approved driver education course and does not have an
19 unsatisfactory driving record. The driver education
20 requirement may be waived if the department determines that it
21 would impose a hardship.

22 The bill requires the department to immediately cancel the
23 special minor's license of a person who operates a vehicle not
24 clearly displaying the school license sticker, and such person
25 shall not be issued another special minor's license.

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