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Appropriations

<u>HF 2465</u>	Standing Appropriations:	37
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Relates to state and local finances; makes, and adjusts appropriations; provides for funding of property tax credits and reimbursements and other taxation matters; provides for fees and penalties; provides for certain insurance and employee benefits; and provides for related matters. Sections 11 and 42 extend the deadline to use a \$2 million FY 2011 appropriation to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for implementing the government information technology services provisions in 2010 Iowa Acts, chapter 1031 (SF 2088, the 2010 Government Reorganization and Efficiency Act) to the end of FY 2013. Section 18 amends Code to require each agency, subject to the direction of the administrative rules coordinator, to make available to the public a uniform, searchable, and user-friendly rules database, published on an Internet site. The Internet site shall include information on the public participation process, forms to file complaints or comments concerning proposed or adopted rules, forms and instructions to file a petition for rulemaking, a petition for a declaratory order, or a request for a waiver of an administrative rule, and any other material prescribed by the coordinator. To the extent possible, the coordinator shall create a uniform format for rulemaking Internet sites. Section 19 strikes existing Code language that outlines a process to request that an agency conduct a formal review of a specified rule of that agency, and instead requires each agency to conduct an ongoing and comprehensive review of all the agency's rules with the goal of identifying and eliminating all rules that are outdated, redundant, or inconsistent or incompatible with statute or its own rules or those of other agencies. The review is to begin July 1, 2012, and continue over each five-year period of time. The agency is directed to develop a plan of review in consultation with major stakeholders and constituent groups, and provide a summary of results to the administrative rules coordinator and Administrative Rules Review Committee (ARRC). Section 20 changes the process used to select the ARRC chairperson. Section 29 prohibits the operator of a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle from driving on public highways unless the driver has in the motor vehicle the proof

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	<p>of financial liability coverage card issued for the snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle. Sections 30, 42, 68, 69, 70, 84 and 85 make various technical corrections to SF 2217 regarding flood mitigation projects and the flood mitigation board. Section 36 prohibits insurers from imposing a copayment for chiropractic services greater than that charged for medical and osteopathic physicians for similar diagnoses, and applies to plans established for public employees. Section 62 makes a technical correction to HF 2403 regarding waiver of the driving skills test requirement for certain military applicants for a commercial driver's license. Section 63 makes technical corrections to HF 2228 related to the requirement to change lanes or reduce speed in certain driving situations. Section 64 makes a technical correction to HF 2428 relating to the issuance of an oversize vehicle permit for the movement of certain combinations of vehicles on economic export corridors established by the DOT. Section 65 makes a technical correction to HF 2467 regarding issuance of a duplicate all-terrain vehicle registration. Sections 66, 82 and 83 amend SF 2249 regarding the issuance of a temporary permit for certain motor vehicle dealer activities. Section 67 makes a technical correction to SF 2216 regarding commercial vehicles operating in multiple jurisdictions under the International Registration Plan. <i>HF 2465 includes various effective date and applicability provisions. The governor item vetoed HF 2465, Division VIII.</i></p>	
<u>SF 2313</u>	<p>Administration and Regulations Appropriations:</p> <p>Relates to appropriations to various state agencies, funds, and certain other entities, including the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), the Auditor of State, the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board, the Department of Commerce, the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, the Governor’s Office of Drug Control Policy, the Department of Human Rights, the Department of Inspections and Appeals, the Department of Management, the Department of Revenue, the Office of Treasurer of State, and other state agencies for FY 2013. Section 2 requires funding appropriated to DAS for the Integrated Information for Iowa (I3) system be distributed to other governmental entities based upon a formula established by DAS to pay for I3 services provided by DAS. Section 13 appropriates funding and full-time equivalent positions to the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy and section 33</p>	175

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<p>amends Code to state that the office shall be an independent office located at the same location as the Department of Public Safety. Sections 22, 24, 26 and 30 appropriate moneys from the Road Use Tax Fund and the Motor Fuel Tax Fund to various state agencies to support administrative services provided to the DOT. <i>SF 2313 includes various effective date and applicability provisions.</i></p>	
<p>★<u>SF 2314</u> DOT Appropriations:</p> <p>The 2011 DOT appropriations legislation (2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 125) and the 2012 DOT appropriations bill (SF 2314) appropriate a total of \$350.4 million to the DOT for transportation- and infrastructure-related purposes from the Road Use Tax Fund (RUTF) and the Primary Road Fund (PRF) for FY 2013. This includes \$47.4 million from the RUTF, \$303 million from the PRF and 2,870 full-time equivalent positions. SF 2314 also deappropriates \$1.08 million of PRF funding to the DOT for FY 2012, and requires the DOT to electronically submit quarterly reports to the legislature regarding the implementation of efficiency measures identified in the January 2012 "Road Use Tax Fund Efficiency Report." Section 5 provides that the provision that amends 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 125, to deappropriate FY 2012 funding is effective upon enactment, April 4, 2012.</p>	<p>183</p>
<p><u>SF 2316</u></p> <p>Infrastructure Appropriations:</p> <p>Makes appropriations from various funds including the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF), the Technology Reinvestment Fund (TRF), the Endowment for Iowa's Health Restricted Capitals Fund (RC2), and the Mortgage Servicing Settlement Fund to various state agencies, including the DOT; makes changes to prior appropriations; makes miscellaneous Code changes; and addresses related matters. Division I, section 1, subsection 10, appropriates RIIF funding to the DOT for FY 2013: \$3 million for recreational trails, \$1.5 million for the Public Transit Infrastructure Grant Program, \$1.5 million for infrastructure improvements at commercial service airports, \$750,000 for infrastructure improvements at general aviation airports, and \$1.5 million for the Railroad Revolving Loan and Grant Fund. Section 2 provides that the funding remains</p>	<p>191</p>

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available for expenditures until June 30, 2016, unless the projects are completed earlier. Division II, section 3, subsection 5, appropriates \$500,000 to the Iowa Telecommunications and Technology Commission for a comprehensive audit and appraisal of the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) prior to the sale or lease of the ICN. The inventory audit and appraisal shall be conducted by an independent professional firm selected through a competitive bid process. Division II, section 3, subsection 6, appropriates \$45,000 from the TRF to the Department of Management to continue development of a searchable Internet database for budget and financial information, and \$125,000 to complete the comprehensive electronic grant management system. Division IV, section 7, requires land mobile radio communications equipment purchased by the DOT to be narrowband compliant and provide the maximum amount of statewide coverage and interoperability, throughout all phases of migration, to the Department of Public Safety's (DPS) future statewide digital radio network utilizing P-25 standards. The provision is effective upon enactment and applies retroactively to July 1, 2011. Other sections of the bill include similar language concerning the purchase of land mobile radio communications by the Department of Corrections (section 3, subsection 1), the Department of Natural Resources (section 13) and the DPS (section 18). *Sections 8 and 9 provide that Division IV concerning the purchase of land mobile radio communications equipment by the DOT is effective upon enactment and applies retroactively to July 1, 2011. The governor item vetoed SF 2316, section 1, subsection 9, lettered paragraph b; section 3, subsection 5, lettered paragraph a; and sections 24, 25 and 26.*

Highway

<u>HF 2101</u>	Relates to preparation and recording of public land survey corner certificates by allowing multiple markers on a public land survey corner certificate.	25
<u>HF 2228</u>	Relates to requirements for a motor vehicle operator to have control of the vehicle at all times and to change lanes or reduce speed in specific situations by separately stating the two requirements and modifying the reference to road work zone to	27

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	conform with the Code definition of "road work zone." Modifies penalties related to the existing Code requirement to move over or reduce speed when approaching certain stationary vehicles by requiring a violator's driver's license or operating privileges be suspended when a violation causes property damage, bodily injury or death. Requires the DOT, in conjunction with the Department of Public Safety, to establish programs to foster public awareness and compliance with legal requirements that apply when motor vehicle drivers approach certain stationary vehicles. <i>HF 2228 is amended by HF 2465, section 63.</i>	
<u>HF 2428</u>	Authorizes the DOT to adopt administrative rules allowing for the movement of certain combinations of vehicles on economic export corridors, established by the DOT, for the transportation of goods or products manufactured in Iowa to or through South Dakota and for the return of unladen semitrailers or unladen full trailers used for the transportation of those goods or products. The length of the combination of vehicles, excluding the length of the truck tractor, shall not exceed 81 ½ feet; the length of each semitrailer or full trailer shall not exceed 45 feet; the weight of the second semitrailer or full trailer shall not exceed the weight of the first semitrailer by more than 3,000 pounds; and the combination of vehicles shall not exceed a gross weight of 80,000 pounds or the gross axle weight limits of Code section 321.463(2). The load on each semitrailer or full trailer in the combination shall be an indivisible load and the entire combination shall be considered an indivisible load as long as the load on each semitrailer or full trailer remains an indivisible load. An economic export corridor established by the DOT shall not include any segment of the Interstate system, with one exception, or the National Network of Highways identified in federal regulations. <i>HF 2428 is amended by HF 2465, section 64.</i>	35
<u>HF 2467</u>	Relates to the regulation of snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, and watercraft by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), establishes fees and provides penalties. Provides that the Natural Resources Commission may adopt rules for the use of snowmobiles on designated snowmobile trails and for maintenance, signing and operation of the trails, subject to regulation by the DNR. "Designated snowmobile trail" is defined to mean a snowmobile riding trail on any public land,	61

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	<p>private land, or public ice that is designated by the DNR, a political subdivision, or a controlling authority for snowmobile use. The term "safety certificate" is replaced with "education certificate" for both snowmobile and all-terrain registration purposes and on-line education is allowed. Prohibits a person older than age 15 but under age 18 from operation a snowmobile on or across a public highway unless the person has in the person's possession an education certificate issued to the person. Amends the designation of "off-road utility vehicle" in Code chapter 321I to include rubber-tracked vehicles with not less than four and not more than eight nonhighway tires and a maximum dry weight of 2,000 pounds. "Designated riding trail" is defined to include any public land, private land, or public ice that has been designated by the DNR, a political subdivision, or a controlling entity for all-terrain vehicle use. Eliminates a reference to the DOT adopting rules for certified courses of instruction for the safe use and operation of all-terrain vehicles. <i>HF 2467 is amended by HF 2465, section 65.</i></p>	
<u>HF 2472</u>	<p>Extends the variable tax rate formula used to establish the excise tax rate for ethanol-blend and regular gasoline by one year, to June 30, 2013. <i>HF 2472 is effective upon enactment, May 2, 2012.</i></p>	75
<u>SF 2153</u>	<p>Increases the size of the Commercial and Industrial Network of highways from a maximum of 2,500 miles to 2,600 miles.</p>	85
<u>SF 2217</u>	<p>Relates to flood mitigation by establishing a flood mitigation program, board, and fund, and authorizes the use of certain sales tax revenue and other financial assistance for flood mitigation projects. Defines "project" to mean the construction and reconstruction of levees, embankments, impounding reservoirs, or conduits that are necessary for the protection of property from the effects of floodwaters and may include the deepening, widening, alteration, change, diversion, or other improvement of watercourses if necessary for the protection of property from the effects of floodwaters. Establishes the Flood Mitigation Board, consisting of nine voting members and four ex officio, nonvoting members, which is located for administrative purposes within the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division of the Department of Public Defense. Requires the board to submit a written report to the</p>	121

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	governor and the General Assembly on or before January 15 of each year. <i>SF 2217 is effective upon enactment, April 19, 2012. SF 2217 is amended by HF 2465, sections 30, 42, 68, 69, 70, 84 and 85.</i>	
<u>SF 2218</u>	Relates to school bus safety and names Code section 321.372 the "Keep Aware Driving – Youth Need School Safety Act." Increases the penalty for failing to obey school bus warning lights and stop arms to a simple misdemeanor punishable by a fine of at least \$250 but not more than \$675 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both. Makes a second or subsequent violation a serious misdemeanor, punishable by no more than one year in prison and a fine of at least \$315 but no more than \$1,875. Adds failing to obey school bus warning lights and stop arm signals to the list of violations for which additional penalties may apply in cases involving serious injury or death. Section 5 requires the DOT to adopt rules to establish failing to obey school bus warning lights and stop arm signals as a serious violation for purposes of driver's license suspension and to make the form for requesting departmental reexamination of a person who may be physically or mentally incapable of operating a motor vehicle safely available electronically to local law enforcement agencies through the Iowa Traffic and Criminal Software. Section 5 also requires the DOT, Department of Public Safety and Department of Education to jointly conduct a school bus safety study, and report findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by December 31, 2012, and to cooperate to establish educational programs to foster increased public awareness relating to school bus safety. <i>Section 5 is effective upon enactment, March 16, 2012, and the remainder of SF 2218 takes effect July 1, 2012.</i>	131
<u>SF 2282</u>	Relates to the definition of "all-terrain vehicle" and "off-road utility vehicle" for purposes of provisions administered by the DOT and the Department of Natural Resources. Amends the Code chapter 321 definition of "all-terrain vehicle" and adds a definition of "off-road utility vehicle" to Code chapter 321 so that, for purposes of motor vehicle provisions administered by the DOT, the definitions of those two terms remain as they are under current law.	151

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<u>SF 2332</u>	Relates to enhanced 911 emergency communication systems, including surcharges and allocation of money from surcharges. Requires the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division of the Department of Public Defense to convene an E911 task force of identified stakeholders to consider and make recommendations regarding needed upgrades and enhancements to the state's E911 programs. Requires the task force to report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2012. <i>SF 2332 includes effective date and applicability provisions.</i>	199

Motor Vehicle

<u>HF 2228</u>	Relates to requirements for a motor vehicle operator to have control of the vehicle at all times and to change lanes or reduce speed in specific situations by separately stating the two requirements and modifying the reference to road work zone to conform with the Code definition of "road work zone." Modifies penalties related to the existing Code requirement to move over or reduce speed when approaching certain stationary vehicles by requiring a violator's driver's license or operating privileges be suspended when a violation causes property damage, bodily injury or death. Requires the DOT, in conjunction with the Department of Public Safety, to establish programs to foster public awareness and compliance with legal requirements that apply when motor vehicle drivers approach certain stationary vehicles. <i>HF 2228 is amended by HF 2465, section 63.</i>	27
<u>HF 2399</u>	Relates to scrap metal transactions, prohibits certain sales, and provides penalties. States that scrap metal does not include a motor vehicle but does include a catalytic converter detached from a motor vehicle. Requires persons selling scrap metal to a scrap metal dealer to provide certain forms of identification and requires dealers to keep a confidential register of each transaction that is available to a law enforcement agency or officer or certain other persons if reasonable grounds exist to	29

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	request the information as part of an investigation. Provides for exemptions and penalties.	
<u>HF 2403</u>	Authorizes the DOT to waive the driving skills testing requirement for an applicant for a commercial driver's license (CDL) who is currently on active military service or was separated from service within the last 90 days and who meets certain experience and safety requirements. Federal motor carrier safety regulations allow such an exemption provided the applicant meets certain requirements. An applicant for whom the driving skills test requirement is waived must still pass a knowledge skills test to receive a CDL. <i>HF 2403 is amended by HF 2465, section 62.</i>	31
<u>HF 2404</u>	Provides that a person who produces a valid driver's license previously issued to the person along with the person's common access card or certificate of release or discharge from active duty (DD214) shall not be required to produce any additional documentation to a peace officer or to a court in order to satisfy the requirements for a six-month driver's license extension currently allowed to a person who serves on active duty in military service.	33
<u>HF 2428</u>	Authorizes the DOT to adopt administrative rules allowing for the movement of certain combinations of vehicles on economic export corridors, established by the DOT, for the transportation of goods or products manufactured in Iowa to or through South Dakota and for the return of unladen semitrailers or unladen full trailers used for the transportation of those goods or products. The length of the combination of vehicles, excluding the length of the truck tractor, shall not exceed 81 ½ feet; the length of each semitrailer or full trailer shall not exceed 45 feet; the weight of the second semitrailer or full trailer shall not exceed the weight of the first semitrailer by more than 3,000 pounds; and the combination of vehicles shall not exceed a gross weight of 80,000 pounds or the gross axle weight limits of Code section 321.463(2). The load on each semitrailer or full trailer in the combination shall be an indivisible load and the entire combination shall be considered an indivisible load as long as the load on each semitrailer or full trailer remains an indivisible load. An economic export corridor established by the DOT shall not include any segment of the Interstate system, with one exception, or the National Network of Highways	35

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	identified in federal regulations. <i>HF 2428 is amended by HF 2465, section 64.</i>	
<u>HF 2467</u>	<p>Relates to the regulation of snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, and watercraft by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), establishes fees, and provides penalties. Provides that the Natural Resources Commission may adopt rules for the use of snowmobiles on designated snowmobile trails and for maintenance, signing, and operation of the trails, subject to regulation by the DNR. "Designated snowmobile trail" is defined to mean a snowmobile riding trail on any public land, private land, or public ice that is designated by the DNR, a political subdivision, or a controlling authority for snowmobile use. The term "safety certificate" is replaced with "education certificate" for both snowmobile and all-terrain registration purposes and on-line education is allowed. Prohibits a person over age 15 but under age 18 from operation a snowmobile on or across a public highway unless the person has in the person's possession an education certificate issued to the person. Amends the designation of "off-road utility vehicle" in Code chapter 321I to include rubber-tracked vehicles with not less than four and not more than eight nonhighway tires and a maximum dry weight of 2,000 pounds. "Designated riding trail" is defined to include any public land, private land, or public ice that has been designated by the DNR, a political subdivision, or a controlling entity for all-terrain vehicle use. Eliminates a reference to the DOT adopting rules for certified courses of instruction for the safe use and operation of all-terrain vehicles. <i>HF 2467 is amended by HF 2465, section 65.</i></p>	61
<u>SF 2112</u>	<p>Allows a military vehicle, other than a vehicle that runs on continuous tracks or wheels and tracks, that was originally manufactured for and sold directly to the armed forces of the United States in conformance with federal regulations, may be registered and issued a certificate of title if the owner provides satisfactory evidence to the DOT that the vehicle is substantially in compliance with federal motor vehicle safety standards. Allows the DOT to adopt rules concerning the registration and titling of military vehicles in accordance with Code chapter 321. Provides that, beginning no later than July 1, 2013, an honorably discharged veteran of the armed forces may request that the word "VETERAN" be marked on the face of the veteran's driver's license or nonoperator identification card</p>	83

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	to indicate veteran status. States that such license shall be issued only upon receipt of satisfactory proof of veteran status pursuant to procedures established by the DOT in consultation with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Authorizes the Commission of Veteran's Affairs to allocate up to \$50,000 from the Veterans License Fee Fund to the DOT to implement the veteran status marking on driver's licenses.	
<u>SF 2208</u>	Relates to the confidentiality of an arrest warrant. Allows that, during the period of confidentiality, the information in the record may be disseminated, without court order, to a peace officer, employee of the county attorney's office, judicial officer or other court employee, or employee of the Department of Corrections (DOC) or judicial district department of correctional services, if authorized by the director of DOC.	101
★<u>SF 2216</u>	Relates to apportioned registration of commercial vehicles registered under Code chapter 326, in accordance with the International Registration Plan, and allows for a staggered registration system for those vehicles. <i>SF 2216 is amended by HF 2465, section 67.</i>	103
<u>SF 2218</u>	Relates to school bus safety and names Code section 321.372 the "Keep Aware Driving – Youth Need School Safety Act." Increases the penalty for failing to obey school bus warning lights and stop arms to a simple misdemeanor punishable by a fine of at least \$250 but not more than \$675 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both. Makes a second or subsequent violation a serious misdemeanor, punishable by no more than one year in prison and a fine of at least \$315 but no more than \$1,875. Adds failing to obey school bus warning lights and stop arm signals to the list of violations for which additional penalties may apply in cases involving serious injury or death. Section 5 requires the DOT to adopt rules to establish failing to obey school bus warning lights and stop arm signals as a serious violation for purposes of driver's license suspension and to make the form for requesting departmental reexamination of a person who may be physically or mentally incapable of operating a motor vehicle safely available electronically to local law enforcement agencies through the Iowa Traffic and Criminal Software. Section 5 also requires the DOT, Department of Public Safety and Department of Education to jointly conduct a school bus	131

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	safety study, and report findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by December 31, 2012, and to cooperate to establish educational programs to foster increased public awareness relating to school bus safety. <i>Section 5 is effective upon enactment, March 16, 2012, and the remainder of SF 2218 takes effect July 1, 2012.</i>	
<u>SF 2221</u>	Requires an employer to review information in the Iowa Court Information System, the state sex offender registry, state central registry for child abuse information, and state central registry for dependent adult abuse information regarding any applicant for a school bus driver position prior to hiring an applicant for a school bus driver position. Requires the employer to follow the same procedure every five years upon the renewal of the employee's or contract employee's school bus driver's license issued by the DOT and valid for the operation of a school bus. Listing on one of the three registries is grounds for which the school bus driver is to be immediately suspended. A termination hearing is limited to the question of whether the school bus driver was incorrectly listed in the registry.	133
<u>SF 2249</u>	Relates to motor vehicle dealer activities at fair events, vehicle shows, vehicle exhibitions, and motorcycle rallies, the issuance of temporary permits to dealers, and modifies the definition of travel trailer for purpose of travel trailer dealer licensing. Allows a dealer licensed by the DOT to obtain a permit from the DOT to display, offer for sale, and negotiate sales of new motor vehicles at fair events, vehicle shows and vehicle exhibitions that are held in the motor vehicle dealer's franchise community (area of responsibility), rather than limited to the county in which the dealer is located. Allows a motor vehicle dealer authorized to sell used motor vehicles to obtain a permit from the DOT to display, offer for sale, and negotiate sales of used motorcycles at a motorcycle rally located in Iowa that meets certain conditions. Allows a person licensed as a motor vehicle dealer in another state to apply for and be issued a temporary permit to display, offer for sale, and negotiate sales of used motorcycles at a motorcycle rally located in Iowa if the person meets certain conditions, including furnishing to the DOT a surety bond in the amount of \$50,000. Prohibits signing a sale agreement and completing the sale of a motorcycle at a motorcycle rally and requires all such sales be consummated at	135

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	<p>the motor vehicle dealer's principal place of business. Requires an application for a temporary permit be on a form provided by the DOT, accompanied by a \$10 permit fee, and be issued for a period of not less than three or more than seven consecutive days. Prohibits a motor vehicle dealer from receiving more than one motorcycle rally temporary permit in a calendar year. Amends the definition of "travel trailer" for purposes of Code chapter 322C to exclude vehicles designed to be towed exclusively by a motorcycle, and therefore exempts such trailers from travel trailer dealer licensing requirements. <i>SF 2249 is effective upon enactment, April 4, 2012. SF 2249 is amended by HF 2465, sections 66, 82 and 83.</i></p>	
<u>SF 2265</u>	<p>Repeals the Iowa Law on Notarial Acts and adopts a modified version of the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts as proposed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Retains some elements of current laws, such as requiring the secretary of state to notify a notary public of an upcoming expiration and certain required fees. Makes conforming amendments to various Code sections to reference new Code chapter 9B (Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts), and authorizes the secretary of state to adopt rules. <i>SF 2265 takes effect January 1, 2013. SF 2265 is amended by HF 2465, section 46.</i></p>	137
<u>SF 2282</u>	<p>Relates to the definition of "all-terrain vehicle" and "off-road utility vehicle" for purposes of provisions administered by the DOT and the Department of Natural Resources. Amends the Code chapter 321 definition of "all-terrain vehicle" and adds a definition of "off-road utility vehicle" to Code chapter 321 so that, for purposes of motor vehicle provisions administered by the DOT, the definitions of those two terms remain as they are under current law.</p>	151
<u>SF 2288</u>	<p>Requires a driver to be alert for, proceed with caution or stop for approaching railroad track equipment in the same manner currently required at a railroad grade crossing or when given warning of an approaching railroad train. A person convicted of a railroad crossing violation commits a simple misdemeanor punishable by a scheduled fine of \$200.</p>	169

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Government and Administration		
<u>SF 430</u>	Relates to violations of open records and public meeting laws, provides that tentative, preliminary, draft, speculative, or research material materials are confidential records, and creates the Iowa Public Information Board. The board, which will consist of nine members appointed by governor and subject to Senate confirmation, is authorized to hire one employee and is intended to provide an alternative for complaint proceedings for open meetings and public records laws. After accepting a complaint, and if the board determines the matter is unlikely to be resolved with the informal assistance of a board employee, the board shall offer the parties the opportunity to resolve the dispute through mediation and settlement. The board is required to adopt rules concerning the timing and means to file a complaint with the board. <i>SF 430 takes effect July 1, 2013, except section 16 which takes effect July 1, 2012.</i>	77
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<u>SF 2265</u>	Repeals the Iowa Law on Notarial Acts and adopts a modified version of the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts as proposed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Retains some elements of current laws, such as requiring the secretary of state to notify a notary public of an upcoming expiration and certain required fees. Makes conforming amendments to various Code sections to reference new Code chapter 9B (Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts), and authorizes the secretary of state to adopt rules. <i>SF 2265 takes effect January 1, 2013. SF 2265 is amended by HF 2465, section 46.</i>	137

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<u>SF 2285</u>	<p>Makes statutory corrections that may adjust language to reflect current practices, insert earlier omissions, delete redundancies and inaccuracies, delete temporary language, resolve inconsistencies and conflicts, update ongoing provisions or remove ambiguities. Strikes Code section 321.18(9), which makes an exception from vehicle registration for a motor home purchased by a nonresident at a rally and driven on a highway solely for the purpose of removing the motor home from the state, in conformance with the repeal of Code chapter 322, which deals with motor homes and manufacturer's club rallies and is repealed effective June 30, 2012. Amends Code section 321.186 to strike reference to commercial driver's license, in conformance with legislation enacted in 2011 that allows an applicant for a driver's license to provide a vision report instead of passing a vision test administered by the DOT. <i>SF 2285 includes effective date and applicability provisions.</i></p>	153
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Bills or proposals initiated by the DOT are shown in boldface type.

★ *A full or partial bill explanation is included for these bills.*

Please see the comments sorted by code chapter or section for a detailed list of sections of interest to the DOT that were amended by 2012 Iowa Acts.