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## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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## **Expanding List of Third Party CDL Testing Options**

- House File 257 gives the Dept. of Transportation the ability to authorize organizations like school
  districts, local governments, private trucking schools, and other qualified entities to offer testing
  services to commercial driver's license applicants.
- Currently, the groups allowed to provide this (other than the DOT) are community colleges, Iowabased motor carriers, the Iowa Motor Truck Association, and public transit agencies (added last year).
- Expanding third-party CDL testing will allow DOT driver's license staff to focus their time on other functions, including decreasing waiting times for license renewals.

## **Section by Section Analysis**

## Section 1 (Iowa Code section 321.187 (2) (c)):

The section amends current Iowa Code by striking provisions that limit third-party CDL testing to certain providers; The section also inserts language requiring that any third-party CDL testing group to comply with federal regulations and allows the DOT to establish administrative rules to set who can provide third-party CDL testing.