

## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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| Bill:          | House File 2598    | House Committee: | <b>PASSED</b> 20-0 (2/17/26) |
| Committee:     | Transportation     | House Floor:     | <b>PASSED</b> 97-0 (3/4/26)  |
| Floor Manager: | Rep. Ann Meyer     | Senate Floor:    | <b>PASSED</b> 44-0 (5/2/25)  |
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### Human Trafficking Prevention Training for Commercial Driver's License Holders

House File 2598 requires those obtaining an initial class A, B, or C commercial driver's license to have completed at least 30 minutes of approved human trafficking prevention training.

#### Section by Section Analysis

*Section 1 – NEW SECTION [Iowa Code section 321.175] Human trafficking prevention training – commercial drivers:*

Section 1 of the bill creates a new Iowa Code section requiring those obtaining an initial class A, B, or C commercial driver's license to certify with the Department of Transportation that, as part of their CDL training, they have successfully completed a course in human trafficking prevention training.

The course covering human trafficking prevention must be at least 30 minutes long and include the DOT's approved human trafficking prevention training materials. The course must be offered in English.

The DOT, in consultation with the Department of Education and the state Board of Education, shall approve the training materials used in the class and can collaborate with those specialize in human trafficking prevention. These materials shall be made available to the public, and the materials are to be reviewed every three years to update the training for changes and trends in human trafficking.

The DOT is granted administrative rulemaking authority to implement this.

*Section 2 – [Iowa Code section 321.188 (1)]:*

The section adds the completion of human trafficking prevention training to the list of items that a person must complete before they can be issued a commercial driver's license in Iowa.

*Section 3 – APPLICABILITY* – The section makes the bill effective on March 1, 2027 or the date on which DOT submits to the administrative code editor notice that the system is in effect, whichever is earlier.