

LEGISLATIVE BILL 254

Approved by the Governor March 28, 2001

Introduced by Hudkins, 21

AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to amend section 60-696, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change procedures and penalties relating to accident reporting; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 60-696, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-696. ~~The (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the driver of any vehicle involved in an accident either upon a public highway, private road, or private drive, resulting in damage to property, shall (1) (a) immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of such accident and (2) (b) give his or her name, and address, and the registration telephone number, of the vehicle and exhibit his or her operator's license number to the owner of the property struck or the driver or occupants of any other vehicle involved in the collision. 7 except that if the driver has collided with a vehicle which is unattended, the driver shall either (a) locate and notify the operator or owner of the unattended vehicle of the information required by this subdivision as well as the name and address of the owner of the vehicle which collided with the unattended vehicle or (b) leave in a conspicuous place in or on the unattended vehicle a written notice giving the information required by this subdivision as well as the name and address of the owner of the vehicle which collided with the unattended vehicle and a statement of the circumstances of the collision, and shall report the collision, by telephone or otherwise, to the appropriate peace officer within twelve hours.~~

~~Any person violating this section shall, if he or she reports such accident, by telephone or otherwise, to the appropriate peace officer within twelve hours, be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor or, if he or she does not report such accident within twelve hours, be guilty of a Class IV misdemeanor~~

~~(2) The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident either upon a public highway, private road, or private drive, resulting in damage to an unattended vehicle or property, shall immediately stop such vehicle and leave in a conspicuous place in or on the unattended vehicle or property a written notice containing the information required by subsection (1) of this section. In addition, such driver shall, without unnecessary delay, report the collision, by telephone or otherwise, to an appropriate peace officer.~~

~~(3) Any person violating subsection (1) or (2) of this section shall be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor. If such person has had one or more convictions under this section in the twelve years prior to the date of the current conviction under this section, such person shall be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor. As part of any sentence, suspended sentence, or judgment of conviction under this section, the court shall order the defendant not to drive any motor vehicle for any purpose in the State of Nebraska for not less than thirty days nor more than one year from the date ordered by the court.~~

Sec. 2. Original section 60-696, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.