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April 30, 2021

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 433, an Act relating to court reporters, including the reporting of adoption hearings and uncertified shorthand reporter appointments.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House



House File 433

AN ACT

RELATING TO COURT REPORTERS, INCLUDING THE REPORTING OF
ADOPTION HEARINGS AND UNCERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER
APPOINTMENTS.

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


Section 1. Section 600.12, subsection 1, Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:

1. An adoption hearing shall be conducted informally as a hearing in equity. The hearing shall be reported or electronically recorded.


Sec. 2. Section 602.6603, subsection 4, Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:

4. If a regularly appointed court reporter becomes disabled, or if a vacancy occurs in a regularly appointed court reporter position, the judge may appoint a competent uncertified shorthand reporter for a period of time of up to six months one year, upon verification by the chief judge that a diligent but unsuccessful search has been conducted to appoint a certified shorthand reporter to the position and, in a disability case, that the regularly appointed court reporter is disabled. An uncertified shorthand reporter shall not be reappointed to the position unless the reporter becomes a

certified shorthand reporter within the period of appointment under this subsection.

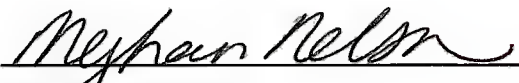


PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House



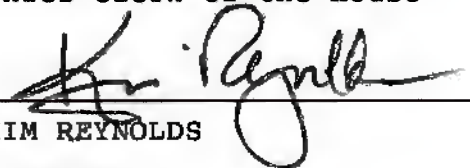
JAKE CHAPMAN
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 433, Eighty-ninth General Assembly.



MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved Apr. 30th, 2021



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Governor