

CHAPTER 95

FORCIBLE ENTRY AND DETAINER ACTIONS — NOTICE AND HEARING PROCEDURE

H.F. 146

AN ACT relating to notice requirements for actions for forcible entry and detainer.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 648.5, Code 2017, is amended by adding the following new subsection:
NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. The notice requirements of [this section](#) shall be deemed to have been satisfied if the defendant or the defendant's attorney appears at the hearing. If the hearing will be held fewer than three days after service of the original notice or if notice is deemed satisfied pursuant to [this subsection](#), the court shall inform the defendant that the defendant has the right to a continuance and shall grant a continuance at the defendant's request to allow the defendant to prepare for the hearing or to retain an attorney.

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