

CHAPTER 59

COMMUNICATION AND VISITATION BETWEEN ADULT WARDS AND OTHER PERSONS

S.F. 306

AN ACT relating to communication and visitation between an adult ward and another person.

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

Section 1. Section 633.635, subsection 1, Code 2015, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *Of.* Placing reasonable time, place, or manner restrictions on communication, visitation, or interaction between the adult ward and another person.

Sec. 2. Section 633.635, subsection 2, Code 2015, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* Denying all communication, visitation, or interaction by an adult ward with a person with whom the adult ward has expressed a desire to communicate, visit, or interact or with a person who seeks to communicate, visit, or interact with the adult ward. A court shall approve the denial of all communication, visitation, or interaction with another person only upon a showing of good cause by the guardian.

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **633.637A Rights of ward under guardianship.**

An adult ward under a guardianship has the right of communication, visitation, or interaction with other persons upon the consent of the adult ward, subject to section 633.635, subsection 1, paragraph “*Of*”, and section 633.635, subsection 2, paragraph “*d*”. If an adult ward is unable to give express consent to such communication, visitation, or interaction with a person due to a physical or mental condition, consent of an adult ward may be presumed by a guardian or a court based on an adult ward’s prior relationship with such person.

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