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April 12, 2004

The Honorable Chester Culver Secretary of State State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 2193, an Act relating to the civil commitment of sexually violent predators.

Senate File 2234, an Act relating to child custody and visitation provisions.

The above Senate Files are hereby approved this date.

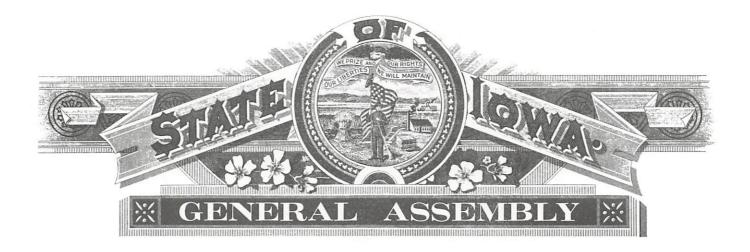
Sincerely,

Thomas J. Vilsack Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





SENATE FILE 2234

AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION PROVISIONS.

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

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 598.14B CHILD VISITATION --TEMPORARY CUSTODY ORDERS.

In order to encourage compliance with a visitation order, a temporary order for custody shall provide for a minimum visitation schedule with the noncustodial parent, unless the court determines that such visitation is not in the best interest of the child.

Sec. 2. Section 600B.40, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

The mother of a child born out of wedlock whose paternity has not been acknowledged and who has not been adopted has sole custody of the child unless the court orders otherwise. If a judgment of paternity is entered, the father may petition for rights of visitation or custody <u>in the same paternity</u>

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<u>action or</u> in an equity proceeding separate from any action to establish paternity.

JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI President of the Senate

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CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2234, Eightieth General Assembly.

MICHAEL E. MARSHALL Secretary of the Senate

Approved 12, 2004

THOMAS J. VI⁄LSA Governor