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Senate File 236
By WALKER.

Passed Senate, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Passed House, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to public morals; prohibiting the sale or distribution of certain literature to minors and providing penalties for violation thereof.

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

1 Section 1. Any person who willfully gives away, sells
2 or distributes commercially to any minor, or who willfully sells
3 or distributes commercially to any person for the purpose of
4 giving away, sale or resale to any minor, or has in his posses-
5 sion with intent to give away, sell, distribute commercially,
6 or otherwise, any book, pamphlet, magazine, or other printed
7 matter specifically including comic books, devoted to the
8 publication and exploitation of sex or other matter of an
9 indecent character, which, for a minor, is obscene, lewd,
10 lascivious, filthy, indecent, or disgusting, shall be guilty
11 of a misdemeanor.

1 Sec. 2. Any person who willfully gives away, sells or
2 distributes commercially to any minor, or who willfully sells
3 or distributes commercially to any person for the purpose of
4 giving away, sale or resale to any minor, or has in his pos-
5 session with intent to give away, sell, distribute commercially,

6 or otherwise, any book, pamphlet, magazine, or other printed
7 paper principally made up of pictures, and specifically includ-
8 ing comic books, devoted to the publication and exploitation
9 of fictional deeds of violence, bloodshed, lust, or immorality,
10 so massed as to reasonably tend to incite minors to violence
11 or depraved or immoral acts against the person, shall be guilty
12 of a misdemeanor.

1 Amend Senate File 236 by striking all after the enacting
2 clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
3 "Section 1. Any person who willfully gives away, sells
4 or distributes to any minor, or who willfully sells or
5 distributes to any person for the purpose of giving away, sale
6 or resale to any minor, or has in his possession, except peace
7 officers under proceedings to destroy the same, any book,
8 pamphlet, magazine, film, or other printed matter specifically
9 including comic books, devoted to the publication and exploita-
10 tion of sex or other matter of an indecent character, which is
11 obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy, indecent, or disgusting,
12 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
13 "Sec. 2. Any person who willfully gives away, sells or
14 distributes to any minor, or who willfully sells or distributes
15 to any person for the purpose of giving away, sale or resale
16 to any minor, or has in his possession, except peace officers
17 under proceedings to destroy the same, any book, pamphlet,
18 magazine, film, or other printed material principally made up
19 of pictures, and specifically including comic books, devoted
20 to the publication and exploitation of fictional deeds of
21 violence, bloodshed, lust, or immorality, so massed as to
22 reasonably tend to incite minors to violence, depraved, or
23 immoral acts shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Filed
March 9, 1955.

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