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A BILL FOR

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2 or child abuse records pursuant to an interagency agreement.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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2 adding the following new subsection:

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4 may be disclosed without court order, to the superintendent or
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6 charge of an accredited nonpublic school, or any other state
7 or local agency that are part of the juvenile justice system,
8 in accordance with an interagency agreement established under
9 section 280.25. The social records disclosed shall be used
10 solely for the purpose of determining the programs and
11 services appropriate to the needs of the child or the family
12 of the child and shall not be disclosed for any other purpose
13 unless otherwise provided by law.

14 Sec. 2. Section 235A.15, subsection 2, paragraph b,
15 subparagraph (4), Code Supplement 1999, is amended to read as
16 follows: 180

17 (4) To a multidisciplinary team, or to parties to an
18 interagency agreement entered into pursuant to section 280.25,
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21 the interagency agreement and determines that access to the
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26 follows:

27 280.25 INFORMATION SHARING -- INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS.

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29 authorities in charge of each accredited nonpublic school
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31 school shall adopt rules which provide that the school
32 district or school may share information contained within a
33 student's permanent record pursuant to an interagency
34 agreement with state and local agencies that are part of the
35 juvenile justice system ~~including-the.~~ These agencies include

1 but are not limited to, juvenile court services, the
2 department of human services, and local law enforcement
3 authorities. The disclosure of information shall be directly
4 related to the juvenile justice system's ability to
5 effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose
6 records are being released.

7 2. The purpose of the agreement shall be to reduce
8 juvenile crime by promoting cooperation and collaboration and
9 the sharing of appropriate information between among the
10 parties in a joint effort to improve school safety, reduce
11 alcohol and illegal drug use, reduce truancy, reduce in-school
12 and out-of-school suspensions, and to support alternatives to
13 in-school and out-of-school suspensions and expulsions which
14 provide structured and well-supervised educational programs
15 supplemented by coordinated and appropriate services designed
16 to correct behaviors that lead to truancy, suspension, and
17 expulsions and to support students in successfully completing
18 their education.

19 3. Information shared under the agreement shall be used
20 solely for determining the programs and services appropriate
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22 coordinating the delivery of programs and services to the
23 juvenile or the juvenile's family.

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25 under the agreement is not admissible in any court proceedings
26 which take place prior to a disposition hearing, unless
27 written consent is obtained from a student's parent, guardian,
28 or legal or actual custodian.

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30 with a school district or school pursuant to an interagency
31 agreement shall not be used as a basis for a school
32 disciplinary action against a student.

33 6. The interagency agreement shall provide, and each
34 signatory agency to the agreement shall certify in the
35 agreement, that confidential information shared between among

1 the parties to the agreement shall remain confidential and
2 shall not be shared with any other person, school, school
3 district, or agency, unless otherwise provided by law.

4 7. Juvenile court social records may be disclosed in
5 accordance with section 232.147, subsection 5A.

6 8. A school or school district entering into an
7 interagency agreement under this section shall adopt a policy
8 implementing the provisions of the interagency agreement. The
9 policy shall include, but not be limited to, the provisions of
10 the interagency agreement and the procedures to be used by the
11 school or school district to share information from the
12 student's permanent record with participating agencies. The
13 policy shall be published in the student handbook.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill provides for the sharing of juvenile court social
16 records pursuant to an interagency agreement prior to any
17 adjudication. The bill allows such records to be disclosed,
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21 The bill also provides for the sharing of department of
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29 other agencies that are part of the agreement.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Iowa General Assembly
FROM: Marilyn Lantz, Legislative Liaison
DATE: January 10, 2000
SUBJECT: Interagency Information Sharing Agreements

The Iowa Attorney General's Office is submitting a bill request dealing with interagency information sharing agreements between schools and juvenile justice agencies.

Iowa Code section 280.25 currently allows school districts to create interagency information sharing agreements with state and local agencies that are part of the juvenile justice system in order to do joint case planning. Parties to the agreement must agree to keep this information confidential.

The purpose is to promote cooperation, collaboration and the sharing of appropriate information among agencies in joint efforts to 1) reduce juvenile crime, 2) improve school safety, 3) reduce alcohol and illegal drug use, 4) reduce truancy, and 5) reduce school suspensions.

School districts are permitted to share otherwise confidential information from a student's permanent record pursuant to the agreement. There is no provision, however, allowing the juvenile court services or the department of human services to share information in a reciprocal manner. This defeats the purpose of the agreement.

This bill allows juvenile court social information and child abuse information to be shared with schools and other juvenile justice agencies pursuant to an interagency information sharing agreement. Such information would be for the purpose of planning and coordinating programs and services to the juvenile or the juvenile's family, could not be used as the basis for school disciplinary action against the student, and would be governed by the confidentiality terms of the agreement.

Substitute for HF 2460
3-28-00 (P. 1025)

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SENATE FILE 2369
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3177)

Passed Senate, ^(P. 652) Date 3-14-00 Passed House, ^(P. 1026) Date 3/28/00
Vote: Ayes 50 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 98 Nays 0
Approved 4-20-00

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Vote 47-0

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SENATE FILE 2369

H-8519

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4 following:

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22 2. Page 1, line 9, by inserting after the figure
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25 fulfill the purpose of the disclosure."

26 3. Title page, by striking line 2 and inserting
27 the following: ", child abuse records, or other
28 information."

29 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By BODDICKER of Cedar
KREIMAN of Davis

H-8519 FILED MARCH 22, 2000

Adopted
3-28-00
(P.1025)

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO
SENATE FILE 2369

S-5272

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RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE

S-5272 FILED MARCH 28, 2000

Senate Concurrence
4/6/00
(P.1052)

SENATE FILE 2369

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MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

BRENT SIEGRIST
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2369, Seventy-eighth General Assembly.

MICHAEL E. MARSHALL
Secretary of the Senate

Approved 4/20, 2000

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Governor