

CHAPTER 1065**CHILD IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE PROCEEDINGS — ATTENDANCE BY CHILD AT COURT HEARINGS***S.F. 2298*

AN ACT relating to the attendance of a child at juvenile court hearings or meetings during the pendency of a child in need of assistance case.

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

Section 1. Section 232.91, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

3. Any person who is entitled under section 232.88 to receive notice of a hearing concerning a child shall be given the opportunity to be heard in any other review or hearing involving the child. A foster parent, relative, or other individual with whom a child has been placed for preadoptive care shall have the right to be heard in any proceeding involving the child. If a child is of an age appropriate to attend the hearing but the child does not attend, the court shall determine if the child was informed of the child's right to attend the hearing. A presumption exists that it is in the best interest of a child fourteen years of age or older to attend all hearings.

Sec. 2. Section 232.91, Code 2009, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 4. If a child is of an age appropriate to attend a hearing but the child does not attend, the court shall determine if the child was informed of the child's right to attend the hearing. A presumption exists that it is in the best interests of a child fourteen years of age or older to attend all hearings and all staff or family meetings involving placement options or services provided to the child. The department shall allow the child to attend all such hearings and meetings unless the attorney for the child finds the child's attendance is not in the best interests of the child. If the child is excluded from attending a hearing or meeting, the department shall maintain a written record detailing the reasons for excluding the child. Notwithstanding sections 232.147 through 232.151, a copy of the written record shall be made available to the child upon the request of the child after reaching the age of majority.

NEW SUBSECTION. 5. For purposes of this section, "attend" includes the appearance of the child at a hearing by video or telephonic means.

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CHAPTER 1066**PAROLE AND OUT-OF-STATE DETAINERS***S.F. 2303*

AN ACT relating to detainees lodged against parolees in this state.

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

Section 1. Section 906.4, Code 2009, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph after unnumbered paragraph 2:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. A person paroled who has a detainer lodged against the person under the provisions of chapter 821 may be paroled directly to the receiving state

rather than to a residential facility operated by a judicial district department of correctional services in this state.

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CHAPTER 1067

MORTUARY SCIENCE, CEMETERY AND FUNERAL MERCHANDISE, AND FUNERAL SERVICES

S.F. 2325

AN ACT relating to the practice of mortuary science and to the preneed sale of cemetery and funeral merchandise and funeral services and providing a penalty.

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

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 272C.2B **Continuing education minimum requirements — mortuary science.**

1. The board of mortuary science, created pursuant to chapter 147, shall require, as a condition of license renewal, a minimum number of hours of continuing education in the two years immediately prior to a licensee's license renewal as prescribed by rule.

2. A person licensed to practice mortuary science in this state shall be deemed to have complied with the continuing education requirements of this state during periods that the person serves honorably on active duty in the military services, or for periods that the person is a government employee working in the person's licensed specialty and assigned to duty outside of the United States, or for other periods of active practice and absence from the state approved by the board of mortuary science.

Sec. 2. Section 523A.207, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

523A.207 Audits by certified public accountants — penalties.

A purchase agreement shall not be sold or transferred, as part of the sale of a business or the assets of a business, until an audit has been performed by a certified public accountant and filed with the commissioner that expresses the auditor's opinion of the adequacy of funding related to the purchase agreements to be sold or transferred. If the buyer of a purchase agreement sold or transferred as part of the sale of a business or the assets of a business, fails to file such an audit, the commissioner shall suspend the preneed seller's license of the buyer and the preneed sales license of any sales agent in the employ of the buyer until the audit is filed. In addition, the commissioner shall assess a penalty against the buyer in an amount up to one hundred dollars for each day that the audit remains unfiled. The commissioner shall allow a thirty-day grace period after the date that a purchase agreement is sold or transferred before suspension of a license or assessment of a penalty for failure to file an audit pursuant to this section.

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