House File 2616

H-8289

- 1 Amend House File 2616 as follows:
- By striking everything after the enacting clause and
- 3 inserting:
- 4 <Section 1. Section 815.9, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 5 paragraph 1, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 For purposes of this chapter, chapters 13B, 229A, 232, 665,
- 7 812, 814, and 822, and section sections 811.1A and 821A.1, and
- 8 the rules of criminal procedure, a person is indigent if the
- 9 person is entitled to an attorney appointed by the court as
- 10 follows:
- 11 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 821A.1 Defense subpoenas in criminal
- 12 actions.
- 13 l. a. A criminal defendant or counsel acting on the
- 14 defendant's behalf shall not issue any subpoena for documents
- 15 or other evidence except upon application to the court. An
- 16 application shall not be granted unless a defendant proves by a
- 17 preponderance of the evidence all of the following:
- 18 (1) There is a compelling need for the evidence sought and
- 19 that such evidence is material, necessary, exculpatory, and
- 20 admissible at trial.
- 21 (2) The evidence sought does not include the private
- 22 information of a crime victim or any other person except for
- 23 the defendant's own private information.
- 24 b. For the purposes of this subsection:
- 25 (1) "Exculpatory" means information that tends to negate the
- 26 guilt of the defendant and not information that is unrelated to
- 27 the case and is merely impeaching or substantially cumulative
- 28 in nature.
- 29 (2) "Private information" means information for which
- 30 a person has a reasonable expectation of privacy including
- 31 but not limited to information the state would need a search
- 32 warrant to obtain, nonpublic electronic communications, and
- 33 information that would reveal personal information immaterial
- 34 to the prosecution.
- 35 2. Notwithstanding any rule of criminal procedure

HF 2616.4093 (1) 90

- 1 concerning the issuance of a subpoena, this section is the
- 2 exclusive mechanism for a criminal defendant or counsel acting
- 3 on the defendant's behalf to issue a subpoena for documents or
- 4 other evidence.
- 5 3. An application for a defense subpoena shall not be filed
- 6 or reviewed ex parte.
- 7 4. The prosecuting attorney shall not be required to execute
- 8 or effectuate any order or subpoena issued pursuant to this
- 9 section.
- 10 5. A crime victim or other party who is the subject of
- 11 a subpoena shall not be required by the court to execute a
- 12 waiver.
- 6. Upon application by a crime victim or the prosecuting
- 14 attorney, the court shall appoint an attorney to represent a
- 15 person or entity served with a defense subpoena if the person
- 16 or entity is determined to be indigent pursuant to section
- 17 815.9. Counsel appointed pursuant to this subsection shall be
- 18 paid from the indigent defense fund established pursuant to
- 19 section 815.11.
- 7. Documents or other evidence obtained through a defense
- 21 subpoena must be provided to the prosecuting attorney within
- 22 five business days after the receipt of the documents or other
- 23 evidence.
- 24 8. Documents or other evidence obtained through a defense
- 25 subpoena that does not comply with this section shall not be
- 26 admissible in any criminal action if offered by the defendant.
- 27 9. The court may sanction an attorney for knowingly issuing
- 28 a defense subpoena in violation of this section.
- 29 10. An applicant for postconviction relief shall not be
- 30 entitled to relief on a claim of ineffective assistance of
- 31 counsel as a result of evidence obtained through a defense

-2-

32 subpoena.>

COLLINS of Des Moines