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SALLY J. PEDERSON LT. GOVERNOR

May 3, 2004

The Honorable Chester Culver Secretary of State State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2186, an Act increasing the damages payable upon conviction of certain unlawful activities involving antlered deer.

House File 2200, an Act relating to fire safety issues, including the establishment of a fire extinguishing system contractor certification program in the office of the State Fire Marshal, the promulgation of administrative rules by the State Fire Marshal, and arson and simulated explosive related criminal offenses, and providing for fees and penalties and for the Act's applicability.

House File 2243, an Act regarding user responsibility and liability with respect to liquefied petroleum gas systems.

House File 2259, an Act relating to the selling and purchasing of products containing pseudoephedrine, and providing penalties.

House File 2352, an Act relating to the appointment of illegal dumping enforcement officers and providing a penalty.

House File 2418, an Act relating to meeting dates by which the State Board of Regents must make final decisions on tuition increases for institutions of higher education under its control.



House File 2462, an Act directing the Department of Human Services to implement child welfare diversion and mediation pilot programs.

House File 2533, an Act relating to protective orders and courtapproved consent agreements under the Domestic Abuse Act.

The above House 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



HOUSE FILE 2243

AN ACT

REGARDING USER RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY WITH RESPECT TO LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS SYSTEMS.

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

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 101.14 USER RESPONSIBILITY.

1. In any action or claim seeking damages for personal injuries or damage to property arising out of injuries or loss due to defects in a liquefied petroleum gas system, or arising out of the condition of any portion of that system, the negligence or other fault of the customer, owner, or other person in possession of or making use of that system relating to the installation, modification, maintenance, or repair of the system or damage incurred to the system, shall be admissible in evidence and considered by the finder of fact if such conduct was a cause in fact of the accident or condition leading to the injuries or damages.

2. For purposes of this section, "liquefied petroleum gas system" means any container designed to hold liquefied

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petroleum gas and attached valves, regulators, piping, appliances, controls on appliances, and venting of appliances.

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CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS Speaker of the House

JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2243, Eightieth General Assembly.

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MARGARET THOMSON Chief Clerk of the House

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