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April 11, 2003

The Honorable Chester Culver  
Secretary of State  
State Capitol Building  
LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

**Senate File 224**, an act relating to appeals filed in child in need of assistance and termination of parental rights proceedings.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Vilsack".

Thomas J. Vilsack  
Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House





SENATE FILE 224

AN ACT

RELATING TO APPEALS FILED IN CHILD IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE  
AND TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PROCEEDINGS.

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

Section 1. Section 232.133, subsection 2, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

2. Except for appeals from ~~an order~~ final orders entered in child in need of assistance proceedings or final orders entered pursuant to section 232.117, appellate procedures shall be governed by the same provisions applicable to appeals from the district court. The supreme court may prescribe rules to expedite the resolution of appeals from final orders entered in child in need of assistance proceedings or final orders entered pursuant to section 232.117.

Sec. 2. Section 602.4102, subsection 4, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

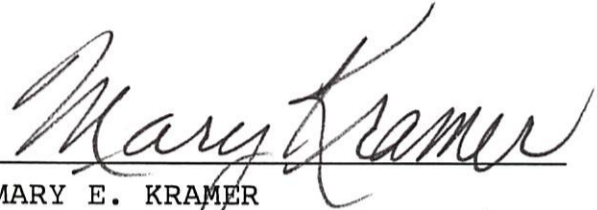
4. A party to an appeal decided by the court of appeals may, as a matter of right, file an application with the supreme court for further review.

a. An application for further review in an appeal from a child in need of assistance or termination of parental rights proceeding shall not be granted by the supreme court unless filed within ten days following the filing of the decision of the court of appeals.

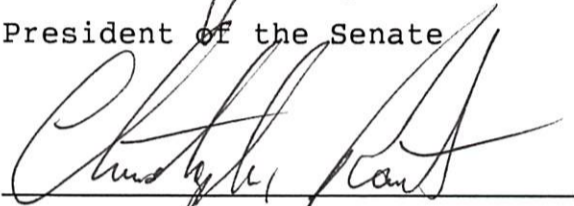
b. An In all other cases, an application for further review shall not be granted by the supreme court unless the application was filed within twenty days following the filing of the decision of the court of appeals.

4A. The court of appeals shall extend the time for filing of an application if the court of appeals determines that a failure to timely file an application was due to the failure

of the clerk of the court of appeals to notify the prospective applicant of the filing of the decision. If an application for further review is not acted upon by the supreme court within thirty days after the application was filed, the application is deemed denied, the supreme court loses jurisdiction, and the decision of the court of appeals is conclusive.



MARY E. KRAMER  
President of the Senate



CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 224, Eightieth General Assembly.



MICHAEL E. MARSHALL  
Secretary of the Senate

Approved april 11, 2003



THOMAS J. VILSACK  
Governor