

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR

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April 8, 2008

The Honorable Michael Mauro Secretary of State **State Capitol Building** LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2119, an Act relating to taking the fingerprints of a child by a governmental unit.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

Chester J. Culver

Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 2119

AN ACT

RELATING TO TAKING THE FINGERPRINTS OF A CHILD BY A GOVERN-MENTAL UNIT.

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

Section 1. Section 726.23, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

a. A parent or guardian has given written authorization for the taking of the fingerprints for use in the future in case the child becomes a runaway or a missing child. Only one set of prints shall be taken and the <u>completed</u> fingerprint cards <u>and written authorizations</u> shall be given to the parent or guardian. The fingerprints, written authorizations for fingerprinting, or notice of the fingerprints' existence shall not be recorded, stored, or kept in any manner by a law enforcement agency, except as provided in this subchapter or except at the request of the parent or guardian if the child becomes a runaway or a missing child. When the child is located or the case is otherwise disposed of, the fingerprint cards shall be returned to the parents or guardian.

Nothing in this paragraph "a" shall be construed to prohibit a governmental unit from taking the fingerprints of a child at the Iowa state fair or a county or district fair as

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defined in section 174.1 as long as the governmental unit complies with the requirements of this paragraph "a".

PATRICK J. MURPHY

Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2119, Eighty-second General Assembly.

Mark Brandsgard

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved

CHESTER J. CULVER

Governor