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April 21, 2017

The Honorable Paul Pate  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol Building  
LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 396, an Act relating to definition of child foster care for the purposes of child care provided by a relative of a child.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry E. Branstad".

Terry E. Branstad  
Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Clerk of the House



House File 396

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF CHILD FOSTER CARE FOR PURPOSES OF  
CHILD CARE PROVIDED BY A RELATIVE OF A CHILD.

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

Section 1. Section 237.1, subsection 4, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

4. *"Child foster care"* means the provision of parental nurturing, including but not limited to the furnishing of food, lodging, training, education, supervision, treatment, or other care, to a child on a full-time basis by a person ~~other than~~ including a relative of the child if the relative is licensed under this chapter, but not including a relative or guardian of the child, but. *"Child foster care"* does not include any of the following care situations:

a. Care furnished by an individual person who receives the child of a personal friend as an occasional and personal guest in the individual person's home, free of charge and not as a business.

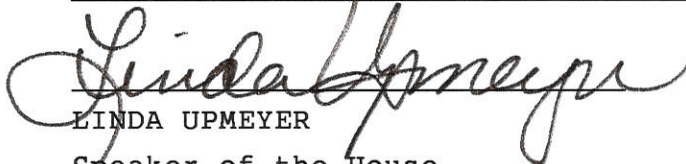
b. Care furnished by an individual person with whom a child has been placed for lawful adoption, unless that adoption is not completed within two years after placement.


c. Care furnished by a private boarding school subject to approval by the state board of education pursuant to section 256.11.

d. Child care furnished by a child care center, a child development home, or a child care home as defined in section 237A.1.


e. Care furnished in a hospital licensed under chapter 135B or care furnished in a nursing facility licensed under chapter 135C.

f. Care furnished by a relative of a child for more than twenty days in one calendar year, where the child is not under the placement, care, or supervision of the department.

  
LINDA UPMEYER  
Speaker of the House

  
JACK WHITVER  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 396, Eighty-seventh General Assembly.

  
CARMINE BOAL  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 21, 2017

  
TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
Governor