

KIM REYNOLDS GOVERNOR

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April 27, 2023

The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 570, an Act relating to assault including assault on a pregnant person and domestic abuse assault, and providing penalties.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

Kim Reynolds

Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House



House File 570

AN ACT

RELATING TO ASSAULT INCLUDING ASSAULT ON A PREGNANT PERSON AND DOMESTIC ABUSE ASSAULT, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.

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

Section 1. Section 708.2, Code 2023, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 3A. A person who commits a violation of subsection 3 against another person who the person knows or reasonably should know is a pregnant person is guilty of a class "D" felony.

Sec. 2. Section 708.2A, subsection 2, Code 2023, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

<u>NEW PARAGRAPH</u>. e. A class "D" felony, if the domestic abuse assault is committed against a person who is known to be, or reasonably should be known to be, pregnant, and that is a violation of paragraph "c" or "d".

Sec. 3. Section 708.2A, subsection 3, Code 2023, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. c. A class "D" felony if the first offense was classified as a class "D" felony, and the second offense would otherwise be classified as an aggravated misdemeanor.

PAT GRASSLEY

AMY SINCLAIR

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 570, Ninetieth General Assembly.

MEGHAN NELSON

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved Approved

Governor