



STATE OF IOWA
KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR

May 06, 2026

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

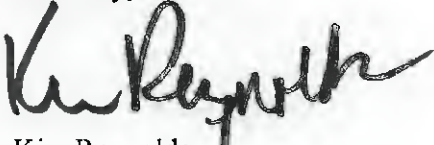
Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 523, an Act relating to the ability of peace officers to file a petition for emergency protective orders on behalf of persons seeking relief from domestic abuse.

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 523


AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ABILITY OF PEACE OFFICERS TO FILE A PETITION
FOR EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDERS ON BEHALF OF PERSONS SEEKING
RELIEF FROM DOMESTIC ABUSE.

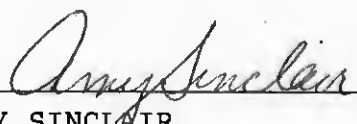
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 236.6, Code 2025, is amended by adding
the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. A peace officer may file a petition
under subsection 1 on behalf of a person if that person claims
to be in present danger of domestic abuse and the person
requests the peace officer to submit the petition.

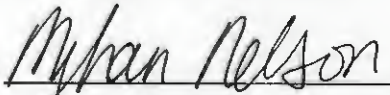


PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House



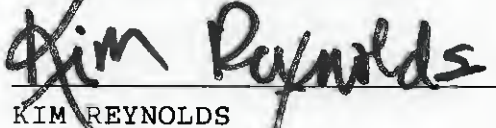
AMY SINCLAIR
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
is known as House File 523, Ninety-first General Assembly.



MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved May 6th, 2026



KIM REYNOLDS
Governor