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HOUSE FILE 505  
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

(Formerly House Study Bill 114)

Passed House, Date 3-27-87 (p. 910) Passed Senate, Date 4-13-87 (p. 1257)  
Vote: Ayes 84 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 50 Nays 0  
Approved May 21, 1987

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to adoption decrees for children born outside of  
2 the United States.

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

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H-3309

1 Amend House File 505 as follows:  
2 1. Page 1, by inserting after line 20 the  
3 following:  
4 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . APPLICABILITY. Section 3 of this Act  
5 applies to adoptions finalized on or after the  
6 effective date of this Act."

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SENATE/HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PREFILED DEPARTMENT OF  
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SUB COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS  
*Chair: Seaford*  
COMMITTEE: *Human Resource*

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DONALD D. AVENSON  
Speaker of the House

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JO ANN ZIMMERMAN  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 505, Seventy-second General Assembly.

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JOSEPH O'HERN  
Chief Clerk of the House  
Approved May 21, 1987

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TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
Governor

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