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- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 804.7A ARRESTS BY FEDERAL LAW 2 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.
- 3 1. For purposes of this section, "federal law enforcement
- 4 officer" means a person employed full time by the United
- 5 States government who is empowered to effect an arrest with or
- 6 without a warrant for a violation of the United States Code
- 7 and who is authorized to carry a firearm in the performance of
- 8 the person's duties as a federal law enforcement officer.
- 9 2. A federal law enforcement officer has the same
- 10 authority, as provided in section 804.7, subsection 3, and has
- 11 the same immunity from suit in this state as a peace officer,
- 12 as defined in section 801.4, subsection 7, when making an
- 13 arrest in this state for a nonfederal crime if either of the
- 14 following exists:
- 15 a. The federal law enforcement officer has reasonable
- 16 grounds for believing that an indictable public offense has
- 17 been committed and has reasonable grounds for believing that
- 18 the person to be arrested has committed it.
- 19 b. The federal law enforcement officer is rendering
- 20 assistance to a peace officer of this state in an emergency or
- 21 at the request of the peace officer.
- 22 EXPLANATION
- 23 This bill provides that a federal law enforcement official
- 24 has the same authority and immunity from suit as any peace
- 25 officer of this state when making an arrest if the federal
- 26 officer has reasonable grounds for believing an indictable
- 27 offense has been committed and the person to be arrested
- 28 committed the offense, or the federal officer is rendering
- 29 assistance to a peace officer of this state.
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AN ACT

GIVING FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS PEACE OFFICER STATUS IN CERTAIN INSTANCES.

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

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- 2. A federal law enforcement officer has the same authority, as provided in section 804.7, subsection 3, and has the same immunity from suit in this state as a peace officer, as defined in section 801.4, subsection 7, when making an arrest in this state for a nonfederal crime if either of the following exists:
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b. The federal law enforcement officer is rendering assistance to a peace officer of this state in an emergency or at the request of the peace officer.

JO ANN ZIMMERMAN
President of the Senate

DONALD D. AVENSON Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2156, Seventy-third General Assembly.

JOHN F. DWYER

Secretary of the Senate

Approved narch 19, 199

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor

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