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(COMPANION TO LSB 3561SS BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act to add sexual abuse in the third degree to the crimes for
2 which offenders must serve at least eighty-five percent of the
3 sentence imposed.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 902.12, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. Sexual abuse in the second or third degree in violation
4 of section 709.3 or 709.4.

5 EXPLANATION

6 This bill adds sexual abuse in the third degree to the list
7 of crimes for which an inmate must serve 100 percent of their
8 sentence less any of the limited amount of good conduct time
9 which may be granted to the inmate. Under section 903A.2,
10 inmates sentenced under section 902.12 may only receive
11 reductions in sentence for good behavior in an amount not to
12 exceed 15 percent of the sentence imposed -- meaning that the
13 inmate must effectively serve at least 85 percent of the
14 sentence imposed.

15 Sexual abuse in the third degree is a class "C" felony.
16 Class "C" felons are to be confined for no more than 10 years
17 and may be sentenced to a fine of at least \$500 but not more
18 than \$10,000.

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