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COMMERCE AND REGULATION

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring airlines doing business in this state to make
2 certain refunds for medically related reasons.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 714.16, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. n. It is an unlawful practice for an air
4 common carrier providing passenger service to or from this
5 state, to refuse to refund the cost of a ticket purchased in
6 this state by a consumer for departure on such air common
7 carrier from a location in this state if the consumer is
8 unable to use the ticket as the result of an illness which, as
9 confirmed by a licensed physician, prevents the consumer from
10 traveling at the time designated on the ticket.

11 For purposes of this paragraph, "air common carrier" means
12 a person engaged in transporting passengers for hire in
13 interstate or foreign commerce by aircraft and operating
14 regularly scheduled flights under a certificate of public
15 convenience issued by the United States civil aeronautics
16 board.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill provides that it is unlawful under the Iowa
19 consumer fraud law for an air common carrier providing
20 passenger service to or from this state, to refuse to refund
21 the cost of a ticket purchased by a consumer if the consumer
22 is unable to use the ticket as the result of an illness which,
23 as confirmed by a licensed physician, prevents the consumer
24 from traveling at the time designated on the ticket.

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