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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act to prohibit criminal or juvenile justice agencies from  
2 requesting polygraph tests from sexual abuse victims or  
3 witnesses as a precondition to an investigation.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 709.17, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code  
2 1997, is amended to read as follows:

3 A criminal or juvenile justice agency shall not request or  
4 require a person claiming to be a victim of sexual abuse or  
5 claiming to be a witness regarding the sexual abuse of another  
6 person to submit to a polygraph or similar examination as a  
7 precondition to the agency conducting an investigation into  
8 the matter. An agency ~~wishing-to-perform~~ which performs a  
9 polygraph examination of a person claiming to be a victim or  
10 witness shall inform the person of the following:

11 EXPLANATION

12 This bill prohibits criminal or juvenile justice agencies  
13 from requesting that a person claiming to be a victim of or  
14 witness to sexual abuse submit to a polygraph or similar  
15 examination as a precondition to the agency conducting an  
16 investigation into the matter.

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