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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the inclusion of abuse prevention language on
2 a marriage license application form and on a marriage license.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 595.3A APPLICATION FORM AND
2 LICENSE, INCLUSION OF ABUSE PREVENTION LANGUAGE.

3 In addition to any other information contained in an
4 application form for a marriage license and a marriage
5 license, the application form and license shall contain the
6 following statement in bold print:

7 "The laws of this state affirm your right to enter into
8 this marriage and at the same time to live within the marriage
9 under the full protection of the laws of this state with
10 regard to violence and abuse. Neither of you is the property
11 of the other. Assault, sexual abuse, and willful injury of a
12 spouse or other family member are violations of the laws of
13 this state and are punishable by the state."

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill creates new Code section 595.3A to require
16 specific language regarding abuse and crimes perpetrated
17 against a spouse or family member to be included on the
18 application for a license to marry and on a marriage license.

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