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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing an automatic excuse from jury duty for older
2 persons.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 607A.5, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 607A.5 AUTOMATIC EXCUSE FROM JURY SERVICE.

4 A person shall be excused from jury service if the person
5 submits written documentation verifying, to the court's
6 satisfaction, that the person is solely responsible for the
7 daily care of a person with a permanent disability living in
8 the person's household and that the performance of juror
9 service would cause substantial risk of injury to the health
10 of the person with a disability, that the person is age
11 seventy or older, or that the person is the mother of a
12 breastfed child and is responsible for the daily care of the
13 child. However, if the person is regularly employed at a
14 location other than the person's household, the person shall
15 not be excused under this section.

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill provides that a person age 70 or older shall be
18 automatically excused from jury duty upon submission of
19 written documentation to the court verifying the person's age.

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