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HUMAN RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 2452
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the provision of mediation in an action
2 involving the child support recovery unit.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 252B.5, Code 1999, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 12. The option of mediation of an action.
4 In an action involving the unit, following the issuance of a
5 final decision pursuant to chapter 17A, a party to the action
6 may request, prior to judicial review, participation in
7 mediation pursuant to chapter 679C to facilitate resolution of
8 the action. A party that requests mediation under this
9 subsection retains the right to judicial review of the action.
10 The costs of mediation shall be paid by the party requesting
11 mediation, unless the mediation agreement otherwise provides.

12 EXPLANATION

13 This bill provides that the child support recovery unit is
14 to provide the option of mediation to facilitate resolution of
15 an action involving the child support recovery unit, following
16 issuance of a final decision pursuant to Code chapter 17A, and
17 prior to judicial review of the action. A party to the action
18 may request mediation, pursuant to Code chapter 679C, but
19 retains the right to judicial review. The costs of mediation
20 are to be paid by the party requesting mediation unless the
21 mediation agreement otherwise provides.

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