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HUMAN RESOURCES

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to visitation provisions between siblings under a  
2 custody order.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 598.41, Code 1999, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. Unless otherwise ordered by the  
4 court, and if it is reasonable and in the best interest of the  
5 child, the court shall include a provision in the custody  
6 order which requires the custodial parent of the child to  
7 allow visitation between the child and other biological  
8 children of the child's parents who do not reside with the  
9 custodial parent.

10 EXPLANATION

11 This bill provides that a custody order include a provision  
12 which requires a custodial parent of a child to allow  
13 visitation between the child and other biological children of  
14 the child's parents who do not reside with the custodial  
15 parent. The provision is to be included unless the court  
16 otherwise orders and if it is reasonable and in the best  
17 interest of the child.

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