SENATE/HOUSE FILE (SF) HF (PROPOSED ATTORNEY GENERAL

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the commitment of sexually violent predators, 2 by changing the deadline for filing a petition by the attorney general; providing for waiver or continuance of the probable 3 cause hearing; granting greater enforcement power to the prosecuting attorney; extending the time to hold a trial; establishing supervised release for sexually violent persons 6 who have been rehabilitated; providing for the preservation of 7 8 certain child abuse reports; and providing the department of 9 justice with access to such reports. 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 229A.4, subsection 1, Code 1999, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 1. If it appears that a person presently confined may be a
- 4 sexually violent predator and the prosecutor's review
- 5 committee has determined that the person meets the definition
- 6 of a sexually violent predator, the attorney general may file
- 7 a petition,-within-seventy-five-days-of-the-date-the-attorney
- 8 general-received-the-written-notice-by-the-agency-of
- 9 jurisdiction-pursuant-to-section-229A-37 alleging that the
- 10 person is a sexually violent predator and stating sufficient
- 11 facts to support such an allegation.
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- 13 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 Within seventy-two hours after being taken into custody or
- 15 being transferred to an appropriate secure facility, a hearing
- 16 shall be held to determine whether probable cause exists to
- 17 believe the detained person is a sexually violent predator.
- 18 The hearing may be waived by the respondent. The hearing may
- 19 be continued upon the request of either party and a showing of
- 20 good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due
- 21 administration of justice, and if the respondent is not
- 22 substantially prejudiced. At the probable cause hearing, the
- 23 detained person shall have the following rights:
- 24 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 229A.5A POWERS OF INVESTIGATIVE
- 25 PERSONNEL BEFORE A PETITION IS FILED.
- 26 1. The prosecuting attorney is authorized, before the
- 27 filing of a petition under this chapter, to subpoena and
- 28 compel the attendance of witnesses, examine the witnesses
- 29 under oath, and require the production of documentary evidence
- 30 for inspection, reproduction, or copying. Except as otherwise
- 31 provided by this section, the prosecuting attorney shall have
- 32 the same powers and limitations, subject to judicial oversight
- 33 and enforcement, as provided by this chapter and by the Iowa
- 34 rules of civil procedure. Any person compelled to appear
- 35 under a demand for oral testimony under this section may be

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1 accompanied, represented, and advised by counsel at their own 2 expense.

- 2. The examination of all witnesses under this section 4 shall be conducted by the prosecuting attorney before an
- 5 officer authorized to administer oaths under section 63A.1.
- 6 The testimony shall be taken by a certified shorthand reporter
- 7 or by a sound recording device and shall be transcribed or
- 8 otherwise preserved in the same manner as provided for the
- 9 preservation of depositions under the Iowa rules of civil
- 10 procedure. The prosecuting attorney may exclude from the
- 11 examination all persons except the witness, witness's counsel,
- 12 the officer before whom the testimony is to be taken, law
- 13 enforcement officials, and a certified shorthand reporter.
- 14 Prior to oral examination, the person shall be advised by the
- 15 prosecuting attorney of the person's right to refuse to answer
- 16 any questions on the basis of the privilege against self-
- 17 incrimination. The examination shall be conducted in a manner
- 18 consistent with the rules dealing with the taking of
- 19 depositions.
- 20 Sec. 4. Section 229A.7, subsection 2, Code 1999, is
- 21 amended to read as follows:
- 22 2. Within sixty ninety days after either the entry of the
- 23 order waiving the probable cause hearing or completion of the
- 24 probable cause hearing held pursuant-to under section 229A.5,
- 25 the court shall conduct a trial to determine whether the
- 26 respondent is a sexually violent predator. The trial may be
- 27 continued upon the request of either party and a showing of
- 28 good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due
- 29 administration of justice, and when the respondent will not be
- 30 substantially prejudiced. The respondent, the attorney
- 31 general, or the judge shall have the right to demand that the
- 32 trial be before a jury. Such demand for the trial to be
- 33 before a jury shall be filed, in writing, at least four ten
- 34 days prior to trial. The number and selection of jurors shall
- 35 be determined as provided in chapter 607A. If no demand is

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- 1 made, the trial shall be before the court.
- 2 Sec. 5. Section 229A.10, Code 1999, is amended to read as
- 3 follows:
- 4 229A.10 PETITION FOR DISCHARGE -- PROCEDURE.
- 5 1. If the director of human services determines that the
- 6 person's mental abnormality has so changed that the person is
- 7 not likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent
- 8 offenses if discharged, the director shall authorize the
- 9 person to petition the court for discharge. The petition
- 10 shall be served upon the court and the attorney general. The
- 11 court, upon receipt of the petition for discharge, shall order
- 12 a hearing within thirty days. The attorney general shall
- 13 represent the state, and shall have the right to have the
- 14 petitioner examined by an expert or professional person of the
- 15 attorney general's choice. The hearing shall be before a jury
- 16 if demanded by either the petitioner or the attorney general.
- 17 The burden of proof shall be upon the attorney general to show
- 18 beyond a reasonable doubt that the petitioner's mental
- 19 abnormality or personality disorder remains such that the
- 20 petitioner is not safe to be at large and that if discharged
- 21 is likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent
- 22 offenses.
- 23 2. Upon a finding that the state has failed to meet its
- 24 burden of proof under this section, or a stipulation by the
- 25 state, the court shall authorize the release of the committed
- 26 person. Release may be ordered with or without supervision.
- 27 If supervised release is ordered, the department of human
- 28 services shall prepare a plan addressing the person's needs
- 29 for counseling, medication, community support services,
- 30 residential services, vocational services, alcohol and other
- 31 drug abuse treatment, and any other treatment or supervision
- 32 necessary.
- 33 Sec. 6. Section 235A.15, subsection 2, paragraph d, Code
- 34 1999, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
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- 3 chapter 229A.
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- 15 chapter 229A.
- 16 Sec. 9. Section 235A.18, subsection 1, paragraphs a and b,
- 17 Code 1999, are amended to read as follows:
- 18 a. Report and disposition data relating to a particular
- 19 case of alleged child abuse shall be sealed ten years after
- 20 the initial placement of the data in the registry unless good
- 21 cause be shown why the data should remain open to authorized
- 22 access, or if the department of justice requests access to the
- 23 alleged child abuse records for purposes of review by the
- 24 prosecutor's review committee or commitment of sexually
- 25 violent predators under chapter 229A. If a subsequent report
- 26 of an alleged case of child abuse involving the child named in
- 27 the initial data placed in the registry as the victim of abuse
- 28 or a person named in the data as having abused a child is
- 29 received by the department within this ten-year period, the
- 30 data shall be sealed ten years after receipt of the subsequent
- 31 report unless good cause be shown why the data should remain
- 32 open to authorized access.
- 33 b. Data sealed in accordance with this section shall be
- 34 expunded eight years after the date the data was sealed.
- 35 However, if report data and disposition data involve child

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- 1 abuse as defined in section 232.68, subsection 2, paragraphs
- 2 "c" and "e", the data shall not be expunged for period of
- 3 thirty years, and such data shall be made available upon the
- 4 request of the department of justice only when the
- 5 prosecutor's review committee is reviewing records or if a
- 6 prosecuting attorney has filed a petition to commit a sexually
- 7 violent predator under chapter 229A.
- 8 EXPLANATION
- 9 This bill amends Code chapter 229A regarding sexually
- 10 violent predators and Code sections 235A.15 and 235A.18
- 11 regarding child abuse recordkeeping.
- 12 The bill removes the 75-day filing requirement placed upon
- 13 the attorney general after receiving notice that a person may
- 14 meet the definition of a sexually violent predator. Existing
- 15 law requires an agency through the use of a multidisciplinary
- 16 committee to give notice to the attorney general if it appears
- 17 a person the agency has jurisdiction over may meet the
- 18 definition of a sexually violent predator and is within 90
- 19 days of being released. If the attorney general receives
- 20 notice, the attorney general's review committee currently has
- 21 75 days to determine if a petition should be filed to civilly
- 22 commit the person as a sexually violent predator.
- 23 The bill also provides the prosecuting attorney with full
- 24 investigative powers before a petition alleging a person is a
- 25 sexually violent predator is filed, such as issuing subpoenas
- 26 and taking depositions during the prosecutor's review process.
- 27 Current law requires that if a petition is filed, a person
- 28 accused of being a sexually violent predator must have a
- 29 probable cause hearing within 72 hours to determine if enough
- 30 evidence exists to proceed with the commitment. The bill
- 31 provides the probable cause hearing may be waived or continued
- 32 beyond the 72-hour limit if good cause is shown and the person
- 33 is not prejudiced.
- After the probable cause hearing or after it is waived, a
- 35 trial must currently be held within 60 days to determine if a

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1 person is a sexually violent predator. The bill changes the
 2 time period within which the trial must be held from 60 days
 3 to 90 days.
      After a person has been civilly committed as a sexually
 5 violent predator, if the director of human services determines
 6 that the person will not likely commit another offense, the
 7 director may petition the court for the person's release.
 8 a court or jury agrees with the director, the court is
 9 authorized to release that person. The bill establishes a
10 supervised release program for persons who have been released
11 from a sexually violent predator commitment. The department
12 of human services is directed to prepare a supervision plan,
13 if the court determines supervised release is necessary.
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      The bill also provides the attorney general access to
15 certain child abuse records when determining whether to file a
16 petition alleging a person is a sexually violent predator or
17 for purposes of committing such a person. In addition, the
18 bill provides that some child abuse records not be sealed or
19 expunged to permit the attorney general to use the records for
20 purposes of the prosecutor's review committee's review of
21 records or for committing sexually violent predators.
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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members of the General Assembly

FROM:

Anne Bunz, Legislative Liaison

DATE:

November 2, 1998

SUBJECT:

Sexually Violent Predator Act, Iowa Code 229A

The Iowa Attorney General is submitting a bill request for legislation dealing with the Sexually Violent Predator Act that was passed during the 1997 Legislative Session.

There are two separate parts to this bill, the first relating to the actual Sexually Violent Predator chapter, Iowa Code 229A, and the second relates to the Child Abuse registry chapter, Iowa Code 235A.

PART I: The intent of this section is to make Iowa Code chapter 229A consistent with other procedural deadlines established by rule. Requiring a party to make a jury demand within ten (10) days of the last pleading directed to that issue is consistent with Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. The ninety (90) day speedy trial demand is unduly burdensome. Removing the seventy-five (75) day requirement is not inconsistent with any other current statutory or rule provision. Regardless of any procedural deadline, the State is still required to make a filing decision prior to release of the person from confinement. The subpoena power is necessary so that the Attorney General can do a thorough investigation and make an informed decision prior to filing a commitment petition.

PART II: The intent of this section is to allow the Department of Justice to have access to child sexual abuse records. Since the sexually violent predator is civilly committed under 229A and will have ongoing hearings indefinitely, access to child abuse records are crucial to these proceedings. Current law, chapter 235A, requires that child abuse records be sealed after ten years from the initial report. These records remain sealed for eight years at which time they are expunged. This bill provides that all child sex abuse records as defined in Iowa Code 232.68(2)(c), (e) remain available to the department of justice for the sole purpose of civil commitments. This bill would also provide the department of justice authorized access to the sealed child sexual abuse records.

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SENATE FILE 24 1999

BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1075)

Passed Senate, Date 3/2/99 Passed House, Date 4-5-99

Vote: Ayes 49 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 98 Nays 0

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- 7 amended to read as follows:
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1 provided by this section, the prosecuting attorney shall have 2 the same powers and limitations, subject to judicial oversight 3 and enforcement, as provided by this chapter and by the Iowa 4 rules of civil procedure. Any person compelled to appear 5 under a demand for oral testimony under this section may be 6 accompanied, represented, and advised by counsel at their own 7 expense.

- The examination of all witnesses under this section 2. 9 shall be conducted by the prosecuting attorney before an 10 officer authorized to administer oaths under section 63A.1. 11 The testimony shall be taken by a certified shorthand reporter 12 or by a sound recording device and shall be transcribed or 13 otherwise preserved in the same manner as provided for the 14 preservation of depositions under the Iowa rules of civil 15 procedure. The prosecuting attorney may exclude from the 16 examination all persons except the witness, witness's counsel, 17 the officer before whom the testimony is to be taken, law 18 enforcement officials, and a certified shorthand reporter. 19 Prior to oral examination, the person shall be advised by the 20 prosecuting attorney of the person's right to refuse to answer 21 any questions on the basis of the privilege against self-The examination shall be conducted in a manner 22 incrimination. 23 consistent with the rules dealing with the taking of 24 depositions.
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- 27 2. Within sixty ninety days after either the entry of the order waiving the probable cause hearing or completion of the probable cause hearing held pursuant-to under section 229A.5, 30 the court shall conduct a trial to determine whether the 31 respondent is a sexually violent predator. The trial may be 32 continued upon the request of either party and a showing of 33 good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due
- 34 administration of justice, and when the respondent will not be 35 substantially prejudiced. The respondent, the attorney

1 general, or the judge shall have the right to demand that the

- 2 trial be before a jury. Such demand for the trial to be
- 3 before a jury shall be filed, in writing, at least four ten
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- 8 follows:
- 9 229A.10 PETITION FOR DISCHARGE -- PROCEDURE.
- 10 $\underline{1}$. If the director of human services determines that the
- 11 person's mental abnormality has so changed that the person is
- 12 not likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent
- 13 offenses if discharged, the director shall authorize the
- 14 person to petition the court for discharge. The petition
- 15 shall be served upon the court and the attorney general. The
- 16 court, upon receipt of the petition for discharge, shall order
- 17 a hearing within thirty days. The attorney general shall
- 18 represent the state, and shall have the right to have the
- 19 petitioner examined by an expert or professional person of the
- 20 attorney general's choice. The hearing shall be before a jury
- 21 if demanded by either the petitioner or the attorney general.
- 22 The burden of proof shall be upon the attorney general to show
- 23 beyond a reasonable doubt that the petitioner's mental
- 24 abnormality or personality disorder remains such that the
- 25 petitioner is not safe to be at large and that if discharged
- 26 is likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent
- 27 offenses.
- 28 2. Upon a finding that the state has failed to meet its
- 29 burden of proof under this section, or a stipulation by the
- 30 state, the court shall authorize the release of the committed
- 31 person. Release may be ordered with or without supervision.
- 32 If supervised release is ordered, the department of human
- 33 services shall prepare a plan addressing the person's needs
- 34 for counseling, medication, community support services,
- 35 residential services, vocational services, alcohol and other

- 1 drug abuse treatment, and any other treatment or supervision
- 2 necessary. If the court orders the release of the committed
- 3 person with supervision, the court shall order supervision by
- 4 an agency with jurisdiction that is familiar with the
- 5 placement of criminal offenders in the community.
- 6 Sec. 7. Section 229A.12, Code 1999, is amended to read as 7 follows:
- 8 229A.12 DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES -- RESPONSIBILITY FOR
- 9 COSTS -- DUTIES -- REIMBURSEMENT.
- 10 The director of human services shall be responsible for all
- 11 costs relating to the evaluation and treatment of persons
- 12 committed to the director's custody after the court or jury
- 13 determines that the respondent is a sexually violent predator
- 14 and pursuant to commitment under any provision of this
- 15 chapter. Reimbursement may be obtained by the director from
- 16 the patient and any person legally liable or bound by contract
- 17 for the support of the patient for the cost of care and
- 18 treatment provided. As used in this section, "any person
- 19 legally liable" does not include a political subdivision.
- 20 Sec. 8. Section 235A.15, subsection 2, paragraph d, Code
- 21 1999, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (6) To the department of justice for
- 23 purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the
- 24 commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in
- 25 chapter 229A.
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- 27 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
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- 29 of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the
- 30 commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in
- 31 chapter 229A.
- 32 Sec. 10. Section 235A.15, subsection 4, Code 1999, is
- 33 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- NEW PARAGRAPH. d. The department of justice for purposes
- 35 of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the

- 1 commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in 2 chapter 229A.
- 3 Sec. 11. Section 235A.18, subsection 1, paragraphs a and 4 b, Code 1999, are amended to read as follows:
- 5 a. Report and disposition data relating to a particular
- 6 case of alleged child abuse shall be sealed ten years after
- 7 the initial placement of the data in the registry unless good
- 8 cause be shown why the data should remain open to authorized
- 9 access. If a subsequent report of an alleged case of child
- 10 abuse involving the child named in the initial data placed in
- 11 the registry as the victim of abuse or a person named in the
- 12 data as having abused a child is received by the department
- 13 within this ten-year period, the data shall be sealed ten
- 14 years after receipt of the subsequent report unless good cause
- 15 be shown why the data should remain open to authorized access.
- 16 However, such report and disposition data shall be made
- 17 available to the department of justice if the department
- 18 requests access to the alleged child abuse records for
- 19 purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or
- 20 commitment of sexually violent predators under chapter 229A.
- 21 b. Data sealed in accordance with this section shall be
- 22 expunged eight thirty years after the date the data was
- 23 sealed. The sealed data shall only be made available to the
- 24 department of justice when a prosecutor's review committee
- 25 requests the data or to a prosecuting attorney if the attorney
- 26 has filed a petition to commit a sexually violent predator
- 27 under chapter 229A.
- 28 EXPLANATION
- 29 This bill amends Code chapter 229A regarding sexually
- 30 violent predators and Code sections 235A.15 and 235A.18
- 31 regarding child abuse recordkeeping.
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- 33 the attorney general after receiving notice that a person may
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l committee to give notice to the attorney general if it appears 2 a person over whom the agency has jurisdiction over may meet 3 the definition of a sexually violent predator and is within 90 4 days of being released. If the attorney general receives 5 notice, the attorney general's review committee currently has 6 75 days to determine if a petition should be filed to civilly 7 commit the person as a sexually violent predator. The bill also provides the prosecuting attorney with full 9 investigative powers before a petition alleging a person is a 10 sexually violent predator is filed, such as issuing subpoenas 11 and taking depositions during the prosecutor's review process. Current law requires that if a petition is filed, a person 13 accused of being a sexually violent predator must have a 14 probable cause hearing within 72 hours to determine if enough 15 evidence exists to proceed with the commitment. 16 provides the probable cause hearing may be waived or continued 17 beyond the 72-hour limit if good cause is shown and the person 18 is not prejudiced. After the probable cause hearing or after it is waived, a 20 trial must currently be held within 60 days to determine if a 21 person is a sexually violent predator. The bill changes the 22 time period within which the trial must be held from 60 days 23 to 90 days. After a person has been civilly committed as a sexually 25 violent predator, if the director of human services determines 26 that the person will not likely commit another offense, the 27 director may petition the court for the person's release. 28 a court or jury agrees with the director, the court is 29 authorized to release that person. The bill establishes a 30 supervised release program for persons who have been released 31 from a sexually violent predator commitment. The department 32 of human services is directed to prepare a supervision plan, 33 if the court determines supervised release is necessary. The bill also provides the attorney general access to

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1 petition alleging a person is a sexually violent predator or 2 for purposes of committing such a person. In addition, the 3 bill provides that all founded child abuse records that are 4 sealed shall still be made available to the attorney general 5 for purposes of the prosecutor's review committee's review of 6 records or for committing sexually violent predators. 7 sealed data is to be expunged 30 years, rather than eight 8 years, after sealing.

SENATE FILE 216 FISCAL NOTE

A fiscal note for Senate File 216 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

Senate File 216 as passed by the Senate provides for changes in the proceedings of civil commitment of sexually violent predators.

ASSUPMTIONS

- 1. There will be 20 offenders awaiting commitment proceedings as a sexually violent predator per year.
- 2. The marginal cost to house a person awaiting commitment proceedings as a sexually violent predator is \$30 per day.

CORRECTIONAL IMPACT

Senate File 216 as passed by the Senate will increase the admissions to the Department of Corrections programs by 20 offenders per year.

FISCAL IMPACT

The General Fund fiscal impact of Senate File 216 as passed by the Senate will cost \$219,000 annually.

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Department of Corrections
Department of Justice

(LSB 1201sv, CRS)

FILED APRIL 5, 1999

BY DENNIS PROUTY, FISCAL DIRECTOR

SENATE FILE 216 -3031 Amend Senate File 216 as follows: 1. Page 1, line 4, by inserting before the word 3 "facility" the following: "state". 2. Page 1, line 4, by inserting after the word "not" the following: "necessarily to". Page 1, by inserting after line 28 the 6 7 following: "Sec. Section 229A.5, subsection 5, Code 9 1999, is amended to read as follows: 5. If the court determines that probable cause 10 11 does exist, the court shall direct that the respondent 12 be transferred to an appropriate secure facility, 13 including;-but-not-limited-to;-a-county-jail; for an 14 evaluation as to whether the respondent is a sexually 15 violent predator. The evaluation shall be conducted 16 by a person deemed to be professionally qualified to 17 conduct such an examination." 18 4. Page 3, by inserting after line 6 the 19 following: "Sec. 20 . Section 229A.7, subsection 5, Code 21 1999, is amended to read as follows: 5. If the court or jury is not satisfied beyond a 23 reasonable doubt that the respondent is a sexually 24 violent predator, the court shall direct the 25 respondent's release. Upon a mistrial, the court 26 shall direct that the respondent be held at an 27 appropriate secure facility,-including,-but-not 28 limited-to;-a-county-jail; until another trial is 29 conducted. Any subsequent trial following a mistrial 30 shall be held within ninety days of the previous 31 trial, unless such subsequent trial is continued as 32 provided in subsection 1." 33 Page 4, line 11, by striking the words "and

34 treatment of and inserting the following: 35 treatment of, and services provided to.

36 6. Page 4, line 15, by inserting after the word 37 "chapter." the following: "If supervision is ordered 38 pursuant to section 229A.10, the director shall also be responsible for all costs related to the

40 supervision of any person.

By JEFF ANGELO

S-3031 FILED MARCH 2, 1999 ADOPTED P. 457)

SENATE FILE 216 COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1075)

(AS AMENDED AND PASSED BY THE SENATE MARCH 2, 1999) - New Language by the Senate

Passed House, Date $\frac{(P.1039)}{4/5/99}$ Passed Senate, Date 4/12/99 Vote: Ayes 98 Nays

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- 16 facts to support such an allegation.
- 17 Sec. 3. Section 229A.5, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph
- 18 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- 19 Within seventy-two hours after being taken into custody or
- 20 being transferred to an appropriate secure facility, a hearing
- 21 shall be held to determine whether probable cause exists to
- 22 believe the detained person is a sexually violent predator.
- 23 The hearing may be waived by the respondent. The hearing may
- 24 be continued upon the request of either party and a showing of
- 25 good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due
- 26 administration of justice, and if the respondent is not
- 27 substantially prejudiced. At the probable cause hearing, the
- 28 detained person shall have the following rights:
- 29 Sec. 4. Section 229A.5, subsection 5, Code 1999, is
- 30 amended to read as follows:
- 31 5. If the court determines that probable cause does exist,
- 32 the court shall direct that the respondent be transferred to
- 33 an appropriate secure facility, including, but-not-limited-to,
- 34 a-county-jail; for an evaluation as to whether the respondent
- 35 is a sexually violent predator. The evaluation shall be

1 conducted by a person deemed to be professionally qualified to 2 conduct such an examination.

- 3 Sec. 5. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 229A.5A POWERS OF INVESTIGATIVE 4 PERSONNEL BEFORE A PETITION IS FILED.
- 1. The prosecuting attorney is authorized, before the filing of a petition under this chapter, to subpoena and compel the attendance of witnesses, examine the witnesses under oath, and require the production of documentary evidence for inspection, reproduction, or copying. Except as otherwise
- 10 provided by this section, the prosecuting attorney shall have
- 11 the same powers and limitations, subject to judicial oversight
- 12 and enforcement, as provided by this chapter and by the Iowa
- 13 rules of civil procedure. Any person compelled to appear
- 14 under a demand for oral testimony under this section may be
- 15 accompanied, represented, and advised by counsel at their own 16 expense.
- 17 2. The examination of all witnesses under this section
- 18 shall be conducted by the prosecuting attorney before an
- 19 officer authorized to administer oaths under section 63A.1.
- 20 The testimony shall be taken by a certified shorthand reporter
- 21 or by a sound recording device and shall be transcribed or
- 22 otherwise preserved in the same manner as provided for the
- 23 preservation of depositions under the Iowa rules of civil
- 24 procedure. The prosecuting attorney may exclude from the
- 25 examination all persons except the witness, witness's counsel,
- 26 the officer before whom the testimony is to be taken, law
- 27 enforcement officials, and a certified shorthand reporter.
- 28 Prior to oral examination, the person shall be advised by the
- 29 prosecuting attorney of the person's right to refuse to answer
- 30 any questions on the basis of the privilege against self-
- 31 incrimination. The examination shall be conducted in a manner
- 32 consistent with the rules dealing with the taking of
- 33 depositions.
- 34 Sec. 6. Section 229A.7, subsection 2, Code 1999, is
- 35 amended to read as follows:

- 2. Within sixty ninety days after either the entry of the
- 2 order waiving the probable cause hearing or completion of the
- 3 probable cause hearing held pursuant-to under section 229A.5,
- 4 the court shall conduct a trial to determine whether the
- 5 respondent is a sexually violent predator. The trial may be
- 6 continued upon the request of either party and a showing of
- 7 good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due
- 8 administration of justice, and when the respondent will not be
- 9 substantially prejudiced. The respondent, the attorney
- 10 general, or the judge shall have the right to demand that the
- 11 trial be before a jury. Such demand for the trial to be
- 12 before a jury shall be filed, in writing, at least four ten
- 13 days prior to trial. The number and selection of jurors shall
- 14 be determined as provided in chapter 607A. If no demand is
- 15 made, the trial shall be before the court.
- 16 Sec. 7. Section 229A.7, subsection 5, Code 1999, is
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- 18 5. If the court or jury is not satisfied beyond a
- 19 reasonable doubt that the respondent is a sexually violent
- 20 predator, the court shall direct the respondent's release.
- 21 Upon a mistrial, the court shall direct that the respondent be
- 22 held at an appropriate secure facility, -including, -but-not
- 23 limited-to;-a-county-jail; until another trial is conducted.
- 24 Any subsequent trial following a mistrial shall be held within
- 25 ninety days of the previous trial, unless such subsequent
- 26 trial is continued as provided in subsection 1.
- 27 Sec. 8. Section 229A.10, Code 1999, is amended to read as
- 28 follows:
- 29 229A.10 PETITION FOR DISCHARGE -- PROCEDURE.
- 30 1. If the director of human services determines that the
- 31 person's mental abnormality has so changed that the person is
- 32 not likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent
- 33 offenses if discharged, the director shall authorize the
- 34 person to petition the court for discharge. The petition
- 35 shall be served upon the court and the attorney general. The

- 1 court, upon receipt of the petition for discharge, shall order
- 2 a hearing within thirty days. The attorney general shall
- 3 represent the state, and shall have the right to have the
- 4 petitioner examined by an expert or professional person of the
- 5 attorney general's choice. The hearing shall be before a jury
- 6 if demanded by either the petitioner or the attorney general.
- 7 The burden of proof shall be upon the attorney general to show
- 8 beyond a reasonable doubt that the petitioner's mental
- 9 abnormality or personality disorder remains such that the
- 10 petitioner is not safe to be at large and that if discharged
- 11 is likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent
- 12 offenses.
- 2. Upon a finding that the state has failed to meet its
- 14 burden of proof under this section, or a stipulation by the
- 15 state, the court shall authorize the release of the committed
- 16 person. Release may be ordered with or without supervision.
- 17 If supervised release is ordered, the department of human
- 18 services shall prepare a plan addressing the person's needs
- 19 for counseling, medication, community support services,
- 20 residential services, vocational services, alcohol and other
- 21 drug abuse treatment, and any other treatment or supervision
- 22 necessary. If the court orders the release of the committed
- 23 person with supervision, the court shall order supervision by
- 24 an agency with jurisdiction that is familiar with the
- 25 placement of criminal offenders in the community.
- Sec. 9. Section 229A.12, Code 1999, is amended to read as
- 27 follows:
- 28 229A.12 DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES -- RESPONSIBILITY FOR
- 29 COSTS -- DUTIES -- REIMBURSEMENT.
- 30 The director of human services shall be responsible for all
- 31 costs relating to the evaluation and, treatment of, and
- 32 services provided to persons committed to the director's
- 33 custody after the court or jury determines that the respondent
- 34 is a sexually violent predator and pursuant to commitment
- 35 under any provision of this chapter. If supervision is

- 1 ordered pursuant to section 229A.10, the director shall also
- 2 be responsible for all costs related to the supervision of any
- 3 person. Reimbursement may be obtained by the director from
- 4 the patient and any person legally liable or bound by contract
- 5 for the support of the patient for the cost of care and
- 6 treatment provided. As used in this section, "any person
- 7 legally liable" does not include a political subdivision.
- 8 Sec. 10. Section 235A.15, subsection 2, paragraph d, Code
- 9 1999, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (6) To the department of justice for
- 11 purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the
- 12 commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in
- 13 chapter 229A.
- 14 Sec. 11. Section 235A.15, subsection 3, Code 1999, is
- 15 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 16 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. The department of justice for purposes
- 17 of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the
- 18 commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in
- 19 chapter 229A.
- 20 Sec. 12. Section 235A.15, subsection 4, Code 1999, is
- 21 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- NEW PARAGRAPH. d. The department of justice for purposes
- 23 of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the
- 24 commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in
- 25 chapter 229A.
- Sec. 13. Section 235A.18, subsection 1, paragraphs a and
- 27 b, Code 1999, are amended to read as follows:
- 28 a. Report and disposition data relating to a particular
- 29 case of alleged child abuse shall be sealed ten years after
- 30 the initial placement of the data in the registry unless good
- 31 cause be shown why the data should remain open to authorized
- 32 access. If a subsequent report of an alleged case of child
- 33 abuse involving the child named in the initial data placed in
- 34 the registry as the victim of abuse or a person named in the
- 35 data as having abused a child is received by the department

I within this ten-year period, the data shall be sealed ten

2 years after receipt of the subsequent report unless good cause

3 be shown why the data should remain open to authorized access.

4 However, such report and disposition data shall be made

5 available to the department of justice if the department

6 requests access to the alleged child abuse records for

7 purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or

8 commitment of sexually violent predators under chapter 229A.

9 b. Data sealed in accordance with this section shall be

10 expunged eight thirty years after the date the data was

11 sealed. The sealed data shall only be made available to the

12 department of justice when a prosecutor's review committee

13 requests the data or to a prosecuting attorney if the attorney

14 has filed a petition to commit a sexually violent predator

15 under chapter 229A.

SENATE FILE 216

H-1150

Amend Senate File 216, as amended, passed, and 2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:

1. Page 6, by striking lines 9 through 15 and

4 inserting the following:

5 "b. Data sealed in accordance with this section 6 shall be expunged eight years after the date the data 7 was sealed. However, if the report data and the 8 disposition data involve child abuse as defined in

8 disposition data involve child abuse as defined in

9 section 232.68, subsection 2, paragraphs "c" and "e", 10 the data shall not be expunded for a period of thirty

ll years. Sealed data shall be made available to the

12 department of justice upon request if the prosecutor's

13 review committee is reviewing records or if a

14 prosecuting attorney has filed a petition to commit a

15 sexually violent predator under chapter 229A.

16 Sec. . EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed 17 of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment."

18 2. Title page, line 8, by striking the words "and 19 providing" and inserting the following: "providing".

20 3. Title page, line 9, by inserting after the

21 word "reports" the following: "; and providing an

22 effective date".

By COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY LARSON of Linn, Chairperson

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SENATE FILE 216

H-1204

Amend Senate File 216 as amended, passed, and

2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:

1. Page 2, line 5, by striking the words "is

4 authorized," and inserting the following: "or 5 attorney general is authorized upon the occurrence of

6 a recent overt act, or upon receiving written notice

7 pursuant to section 229A.3, or".

8 2. Page 2, line 10, by inserting after the word 9 "prosecuting attorney" the following: "or attorney

10 general".

3. Page 2, line 18, by inserting after the word

12 "attorney" the following: "or attorney general".
13 4. Page 2, line 24, by inserting after the word

14 "attorney" the following: "or attorney general".

5. Page 2, line 29, by inserting after the word

16 "attorney" the following: "or attorney general".

By SUKUP of Franklin

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adopted 4.5.99 (p. 1038)

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE FILE 216

S-3225

Amend Senate File 216, as amended, passed, and

2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:

1. Page 2, line 5, by striking the words "is 4 authorized," and inserting the following: "or 5 attorney general is authorized upon the occurrence of 6 a recent overt act, or upon receiving written notice

7 pursuant to section 229A.3, or".

- 2. Page 2, line 10, by inserting after the word 9 "prosecuting attorney" the following: "or attorney 10 general".
- 3. Page 2, line 18, by inserting after the word 12 "attorney" the following: "or attorney general".
- 4. Page 2, line 24, by inserting after the word 14 "attorney" the following: "or attorney general".
- 5. Page 2, line 29, by inserting after the word 16 "attorney" the following: "or attorney general".
- 6. Page 6, by striking lines 9 through 15 and 17 18 inserting the following:
- "b. Data sealed in accordance with this section 20 shall be expunged eight years after the date the data 21 was sealed. However, if the report data and the 22 disposition data involve child abuse as defined in 83 section 232.68, subsection 2, paragraphs "c" and "e", 4 the data shall not be expunded for a period of thirty 25 years. Sealed data shall be made available to the

26 department of justice upon request if the prosecutor's

27 review committee is reviewing records or if a

28 prosecuting attorney has filed a petition to commit a

29 sexually violent predator under chapter 229A.

- Sec. . EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed 31 of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment."
- 7. Title page, line 8, by striking the words "and 33 providing" and inserting the following: "providing".
- 8. Title page, line 9, by inserting after the
- 35 word "reports" the following: "; and providing an

36 effective date".

37 9. By renumbering, relettering, or redesignating 38 and correcting internal references as necessary. RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE

S-3225 FILED APRIL 6, 1999

Senate Concurred 4/12/99 (P. 1057)

SENATE FILE 216

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COMMITMENT OF SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATORS, BY
CHANGING THE DEADLINE FOR FILING A PETITION BY THE ATTORNEY
GENERAL; PROVIDING FOR WAIVER OR CONTINUANCE OF THE PROBABLE
CAUSE HEARING; GRANTING GREATER ENFORCEMENT POWER TO THE
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY; EXTENDING THE TIME TO HOLD A TRIAL;
ESTABLISHING SUPERVISED RELEASE FOR SEXUALLY VIOLENT PERSONS
WHO HAVE BEEN REHABILITATED; PROVIDING FOR THE PRESERVATION
OF CERTAIN CHILD ABUSE REPORTS; PROVIDING THE DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE WITH ACCESS TO SUCH REPORTS; AND PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Section 229A.2, Code 1999, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. "Appropriate secure facility" means a state facility that is designed to confine but not necessarily to treat a sexually violent predator.

- Sec. 2. Section 229A.4, subsection 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. If it appears that a person presently confined may be a sexually violent predator and the prosecutor's review committee has determined that the person meets the definition of a sexually violent predator, the attorney general may file a petition—within—seventy—five—days—of—the—date—the—attorney general—received—the—written—notice—by—the—agency—of jurisdiction—pursuant—to—section—229AT37 alleging that the person is a sexually violent predator and stating sufficient facts to support such an allegation.
- Sec. 3. Section 229A.5, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

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Within seventy-two hours after being taken into custody or being transferred to an appropriate secure facility, a hearing shall be held to determine whether probable cause exists to believe the detained person is a sexually violent predator. The hearing may be waived by the respondent. The hearing may be continued upon the request of either party and a showing of good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due administration of justice, and if the respondent is not substantially prejudiced. At the probable cause hearing, the detained person shall have the following rights:

- Sec. 4. Section 229A.5, subsection 5, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- 5. If the court determines that probable cause does exist, the court shall direct that the respondent be transferred to an appropriate secure facility, including,—but—not—limited—to, a—county—jail, for an evaluation as to whether the respondent is a sexually violent predator. The evaluation shall be conducted by a person deemed to be professionally qualified to conduct such an examination.
- Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 229A.5A POWERS OF INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL BEFORE A PETITION IS FILED.
- 1. The prosecuting attorney or attorney general is authorized upon the occurrence of a recent overt act, or upon receiving written notice pursuant to section 229A.3, or before the filing of a petition under this chapter, to subpoena and compel the attendance of witnesses, examine the witnesses under oath, and require the production of documentary evidence for inspection, reproduction, or copying. Except as otherwise provided by this section, the prosecuting attorney or attorney general shall have the same powers and limitations, subject to judicial oversight and enforcement, as provided by this chapter and by the Iowa rules of civil procedure. Any person compelled to appear under a demand for oral testimony under this section may be accompanied, represented, and advised by counsel at their own expense.

- 2. The examination of all witnesses under this section shall be conducted by the prosecuting attorney or attorney general before an officer authorized to administer oaths under section 63A.1. The testimony shall be taken by a certified shorthand reporter or by a sound recording device and shall be transcribed or otherwise preserved in the same manner as provided for the preservation of depositions under the Iowa rules of civil procedure. The prosecuting attorney or attorney general may exclude from the examination all persons except the witness, witness's counsel, the officer before whom the testimony is to be taken, law enforcement officials, and a certified shorthand reporter. Prior to oral examination, the person shall be advised by the prosecuting attorney or attorney general of the person's right to refuse to answer any questions on the basis of the privilege against selfincrimination. The examination shall be conducted in a manner consistent with the rules dealing with the taking of depositions.
- Sec. 6. Section 229A.7, subsection 2, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Within sixty ninety days after either the entry of the order waiving the probable cause hearing or completion of the probable cause hearing held pursuant-to under section 229A.5, the court shall conduct a trial to determine whether the respondent is a sexually violent predator. The trial may be continued upon the request of either party and a showing of good cause, or by the court on its own motion in the due administration of justice, and when the respondent will not be substantially prejudiced. The respondent, the attorney general, or the judge shall have the right to demand that the trial be before a jury. Such demand for the trial to be before a jury shall be filed, in writing, at least four ten days prior to trial. The number and selection of jurors shall be determined as provided in chapter 607A. If no demand is made, the trial shall be before the court.

- Sec. 7. Section 229A.7, subsection 5, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- 5. If the court or jury is not satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that the respondent is a sexually violent predator, the court shall direct the respondent's release. Upon a mistrial, the court shall direct that the respondent be held at an appropriate secure facility—including—but—not limited—to—a—county—jaily until another trial is conducted. Any subsequent trial following a mistrial shall be held within ninety days of the previous trial, unless such subsequent trial is continued as provided in subsection 1.
- Sec. 8. Section 229A.10, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:
 - 229A.10 PETITION FOR DISCHARGE -- PROCEDURE.
- 1. If the director of human services determines that the person's mental abnormality has so changed that the person is not likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent offenses if discharged, the director shall authorize the person to petition the court for discharge. The petition shall be served upon the court and the attorney general. The court, upon receipt of the petition for discharge, shall order a hearing within thirty days. The attorney general shall represent the state, and shall have the right to have the petitioner examined by an expert or professional person of the attorney general's choice. The hearing shall be before a jury if demanded by either the petitioner or the attorney general. The burden of proof shall be upon the attorney general to show beyond a reasonable doubt that the petitioner's mental abnormality or personality disorder remains such that the petitioner is not safe to be at large and that if discharged is likely to commit predatory acts or sexually violent offenses.
- 2. Upon a finding that the state has failed to meet its burden of proof under this section, or a stipulation by the state, the court shall authorize the release of the committed

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person. Release may be ordered with or without supervision. If supervised release is ordered, the department of human services shall prepare a plan addressing the person's needs for counseling, medication, community support services, residential services, vocational services, alcohol and other drug abuse treatment, and any other treatment or supervision necessary. If the court orders the release of the committed person with supervision, the court shall order supervision by an agency with jurisdiction that is familiar with the placement of criminal offenders in the community.

Sec. 9. Section 229A.12, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

229A.12 DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES -- RESPONSIBILITY FOR COSTS -- DUTIES -- REIMBURSEMENT.

The director of human services shall be responsible for all costs relating to the evaluation and, treatment of, and services provided to persons committed to the director's custody after the court or jury determines that the respondent is a sexually violent predator and pursuant to commitment under any provision of this chapter. If supervision is ordered pursuant to section 229A.10, the director shall also be responsible for all costs related to the supervision of any person. Reimbursement may be obtained by the director from the patient and any person legally liable or bound by contract for the support of the patient for the cost of care and treatment provided. As used in this section, "any person legally liable" does not include a political subdivision.

Sec. 10. Section 235A.15, subsection 2, paragraph d, Code 1999, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (6) To the department of justice for purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in chapter 229A.

Sec. 11. Section 235A.15, subsection 3, Code 1999, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

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NEW PARAGRAPM. d. The department of justice for purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in chapter 229A.

Sec. 12. Section 235A.15, subsection 4, Code 1999, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. d. The department of justice for purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or the commitment of sexually violent predators as provided in chapter 229A.

Sec. 13. Section 235A.18, subsection 1, paragraphs a and b, Code 1999, are amended to read as follows:

- a. Report and disposition data relating to a particular case of alleged child abuse shall be sealed ten years after the initial placement of the data in the registry unless good cause be shown why the data should remain open to authorized access. If a subsequent report of an alleged case of child abuse involving the child named in the initial data placed in the registry as the victim of abuse or a person named in the data as having abused a child is received by the department within this ten-year period, the data shall be sealed ten years after receipt of the subsequent report unless good cause be shown why the data should remain open to authorized access. However, such report and disposition data shall be made available to the department of justice if the department requests access to the alleged child abuse records for purposes of review by the prosecutor's review committee or commitment of sexually violent predators under chapter 229A.
- b. Data sealed in accordance with this section shall be expunged eight years after the date the data was sealed. However, if the report data and the disposition data involve child abuse as defined in section 232.58, subsection 2, paragraphs "c" and "e", the data shall not be expunged for a period of thirty years. Sealed data shall be made available to the department of justice upon request if the prosecutor's

review committee is reviewing records or if a prosecuting attorney has filed a petition to commit a sexually violent predator under chapter 229A.

Sec. 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

MARY E. KRAMER

President of the Senate

RON J. CORBETT Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 216, Seventy-eighth General Assembly.

MICHAEL E. MARSHALL

Secretary of the Senate

Approved (1901 26, 1999)

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Governor