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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act expanding the criminal offense of involuntary  
2 manslaughter, and providing a penalty.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 707.5, Code 2005, is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 707.5 INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER.

4 1. A person commits a class "C" felony when the person  
5 unintentionally causes the death of another person under  
6 circumstances manifesting an extreme indifference to the value  
7 of human life.

8 ~~1.~~ 2. A person commits a class "D" felony when the person  
9 unintentionally causes the death of another person by the  
10 commission of a public offense other than a forcible felony or  
11 escape.

12 ~~2.~~ 3. A person commits an aggravated misdemeanor when the  
13 person unintentionally causes the death of another person by  
14 the commission of an act in a manner likely to cause death or  
15 serious injury.

16 Involuntary manslaughter as defined in this section is an  
17 included offense under an indictment for murder in the first  
18 or second degree or voluntary manslaughter.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill expands the definition of the criminal offense of  
21 involuntary manslaughter.

22 A person commits a class "C" felony under the bill if the  
23 person unintentionally causes the death of another by the  
24 commission of an act that manifests an extreme indifference to  
25 the value of human life.

26 A class "C" felony is punishable by confinement for no more  
27 than 10 years and a fine of at least \$1,000 but not more than  
28 \$10,000.

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