HOUSE FILE 271 BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 63)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to bail restrictions placed on criminal
- 2 defendants.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 811.1, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2011, 2 are amended to read as follows:

1. A defendant awaiting judgment of conviction and 3 4 sentencing following either a plea or verdict of guilty of a 5 class "A" felony, murder, forcible felony as defined in section 6 702.11, any class "B" felony included in section 462A.14 or 7 707.6A; felonious assault; felonious child endangerment; sexual 8 abuse in the second degree; sexual abuse in the third degree; 9 kidnapping; robbery in the first degree; arson in the first 10 degree; burglary in the first degree; any felony included 11 in section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "a'' or "b''; or a 12 second or subsequent offense under section 124.401, subsection 13 1, paragraph "c"; any felony punishable under section 902.9, 14 subsection 1; any public offense committed while detained 15 pursuant to section 229A.5; or any public offense committed 16 while subject to an order of commitment pursuant to chapter 17 229A.

18 2. A defendant appealing a conviction of a class "A" 19 felony; murder; forcible felony as defined in section 702.11; 20 any class "B" or "C" felony included in section 462A.14 or 21 707.6A; felonious assault; felonious child endangerment; sexual 22 abuse in the second degree; sexual abuse in the third degree; 23 kidnapping; robbery in the first degree; arson in the first 24 degree; burglary in the first degree; any felony included in 25 section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "a" or "b"; or a second 26 or subsequent conviction under section 124.401, subsection 27 1, paragraph "c"; any felony punishable under section 902.9, 28 subsection 1; any public offense committed while detained 29 pursuant to section 229A.5; or any public offense committed 30 while subject to an order of commitment pursuant to chapter 31 229A.

33 This bill relates to bail restrictions placed on criminal 34 defendants.

EXPLANATION

32

35 The bill specifies a defendant awaiting sentencing after a

-1-

LSB 1920HV (1) 84 jm/nh l plea of guilty or a conviction for a forcible felony is not 2 eligible for bail.

3 The bill also specifies a defendant appealing a conviction 4 for a forcible felony is not be eligible for bail.

5 The changes in the bill make a defendant eligible for bail if 6 the defendant was convicted of or appealing a conviction for 7 assault without the intent to cause serious injury but causing 8 serious injury in violation of Code section 708.2(4), willful 9 injury causing bodily injury in violation of Code section 10 708.4(2), sexual abuse between spouses, sexual abuse against a 11 minor 14 or 15 years of age when the defendant is at least four 12 years older than the minor, or child endangerment in violation 13 of Code section 726.6(6).

14 The bill makes a defendant ineligible for bail if the 15 defendant was convicted of or appealing a conviction for 16 robbery in the second degree in violation of Code section 17 711.3.

-2-