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A BILL FOR

1 An Act including children who have been subjected to human
2 trafficking in child in need of assistance provisions under
3 the juvenile justice code.

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

1 Section 1. Section 232.2, subsection 6, Code 2014, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. r. Who has been subjected to human
4 trafficking as defined in section 710A.1.

5 EXPLANATION

6 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
7 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

8 This bill includes children who have been subjected to human
9 trafficking as defined in Code section 710A.1 in child in need
10 of assistance provisions under the juvenile justice code.

11 The bill amends the definition of child in need of assistance
12 in Code section 232.2 to include such children.

13 Code section 710A.1 defines the term "human trafficking" to
14 mean participating in a venture to recruit, harbor, transport,
15 supply provisions, or obtain a person for any of the following
16 purposes: forced labor or service that results in involuntary
17 servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery or commercial
18 sexual activity through the use of force, fraud, or coercion,
19 except that if the trafficked person is under the age of 18,
20 the commercial sexual activity need not involve force, fraud,
21 or coercion. The term also means knowingly purchasing or
22 attempting to purchase services involving commercial sexual
23 activity from a victim or another person engaged in human
24 trafficking.

25 The Code section 232.2 definition is applied by the juvenile
26 court, department of human services, and others engaged in the
27 protection of children under the juvenile justice code.