

**House File 2355 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 640)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act adding the hallucinogenic substance kratom to the  
2 list of schedule I controlled substances, and providing  
3 penalties.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 124.204, subsection 4, Code 2014, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *aj.* Mitragyna speciosa korth, also known as  
4 kratom.

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 adds the hallucinogenic substance "mitragyna  
9 speciosa korth", also known as "kratom", to the list of  
10 schedule I controlled substances. A schedule I controlled  
11 substance is considered to have a high potential for abuse and  
12 has no medical purpose in treatment in the United States, or  
13 lacks accepted safety procedures for use in treatment under  
14 medical supervision.

15 The bill makes it a class "C" felony pursuant to Code section  
16 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "c", subparagraph (8), for  
17 any unauthorized person to manufacture, deliver, or possess  
18 with the intent to manufacture or deliver, mitragyna speciosa  
19 korth, or to act with, enter a common scheme or design with,  
20 or conspire with one or more other persons to manufacture,  
21 deliver, or possess with the intent to manufacture or deliver  
22 mitragyna speciosa korth.

23 The bill also makes it a serious misdemeanor pursuant to Code  
24 section 124.401, subsection 5, for any unauthorized person to  
25 possess mitragyna speciosa korth.

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. A serious misdemeanor is punishable by confinement  
29 for no more than one year and a fine of at least \$315 but not  
30 more than \$1,875.