

**Senate Study Bill 3123 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
ON JUDICIARY BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON SODDERS)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the modification of the sex offender  
2 registry requirements for certain offenders.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 692A.128, subsection 2, paragraph c,  
2 Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. A risk assessment has been completed and the following  
4 apply:

5 (1) The sex offender was has been classified as a low risk  
6 to reoffend if the offender was eighteen years of age or older  
7 when the sex offense was committed.

8 (2) The risk assessment used to assess an offender as a low  
9 risk to reoffend shall be a validated risk assessment approved  
10 by the department of corrections.

11 Sec. 2. Section 692A.128, subsection 3, Code 2016, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 3. The application shall be filed in the sex offender's  
14 county of principal residence, or in the county where the  
15 conviction occurred if the sex offender no longer resides in  
16 this state and has been placed on inactive status.

17 EXPLANATION

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

20 This bill relates to the modification of the sex offender  
21 registration requirements.

22 Current law provides that if a sex offender applies to modify  
23 the sex offender registration requirements pursuant to Code  
24 section 692A.128, the offender is required to be assessed a low  
25 risk to reoffend. The bill modifies the low risk to reoffend  
26 requirement by specifying that a person is required to be  
27 assessed a low risk to reoffend if the person was 18 years of  
28 age or older when the sex offense requiring registration was  
29 committed.

30 The bill provides that a sex offender applying to modify the  
31 sex offender registry requirements pursuant to Code section  
32 692A.128 may file the application in the county where the  
33 conviction for the sex offense occurred if the offender has  
34 been placed on inactive status under Code section 692A.106(7)  
35 and no longer resides in this state. Current law requires

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1 the application to be filed in the sex offender's county of  
2 principal residence.