

**House Study Bill 616 - Introduced**

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON KLEIN)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing a cyber crime investigation division in  
2 the department of public safety to investigate crimes with  
3 a nexus to the internet or computer technology including  
4 crimes involving child exploitation and cyber intrusion.  
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 80.4, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended  
2 by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *g.* Division of cyber crime investigation.

4 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **80.40 Cyber crime investigation**  
5 **division.**

6 1. A cyber crime investigation division is established in  
7 the department. The purpose of the division is to investigate  
8 crimes with a nexus to the internet or computer technology  
9 including crimes involving child exploitation and cyber  
10 intrusion.

11 2. The commissioner shall dedicate a minimum of two  
12 full-time employees within the division to investigate  
13 cyber crime. Additional staff may be hired, subject to the  
14 availability of funding.

15 3. The division shall have the authority to do all of the  
16 following within the state:

17 *a.* Conduct investigations and forensic analyses of criminal  
18 cases involving computer technology.

19 *b.* Research and provide training to assist governmental  
20 agencies in prosecuting cases related to cyber crime.

21 *c.* Provide investigative and prosecutorial assistance to  
22 governmental agencies involved with cyber crime.

23 **EXPLANATION**

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

26 This bill establishes a cyber crime investigation division  
27 to investigate crimes with a nexus to the internet or computer  
28 technology including crimes involving child exploitation and  
29 cyber intrusion. The bill directs the commissioner of public  
30 safety to dedicate two or more full-time employees within the  
31 division to investigate cyber crime and allows additional staff  
32 to be hired. The bill gives the division the authority to  
33 conduct investigations and forensic analyses of criminal cases  
34 involving computer technology, research and provide training  
35 to assist governmental agencies in prosecuting cases related

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1 to cyber crime, and provide investigative and prosecutorial  
2 assistance to governmental agencies involved with cyber crime.