

House Study Bill 693 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON JUDICIARY BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON HOLT)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the defense of justification for certain
2 homicide offenses.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 704A.1 Restriction on the defense
2 of justification.

3 The defense of justification is not available to a person
4 who is the subject of a nonviolent sexual advance who causes
5 the death of another person pursuant to section 707.2, 707.3,
6 707.4, or 707.5, solely as the result of that sexual advance or
7 solely as the result of the person's discovery of, knowledge
8 about, or potential disclosure of the victim's sex, sexual
9 orientation, or gender identity.

10 EXPLANATION

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

13 This bill specifies that a defense of justification is not
14 available when a person who is the subject of a nonviolent
15 sexual advance causes the death of another person, solely as
16 a response to that sexual advance or solely as a result of the
17 person's discovery of, knowledge about, or potential disclosure
18 of the victim's sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity.