Senate File 2093 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the rights of parents, guardians, and
- 2 minors including those relating to gender transition
- 3 procedure-related activities for minors, and providing
- 4 effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 601.1, subsection 2, Code 2024, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 2. Subject to section 147.164, a A parent or guardian
- 4 bears the ultimate responsibility, and has the fundamental,
- 5 constitutionally protected right, to make decisions affecting
- 6 the parent's or quardian's minor child, including decisions
- 7 related to the minor child's medical care, moral upbringing,
- 8 religious upbringing, residence, education, and extracurricular
- 9 activities. Any and all restrictions of this right shall be
- 10 subject to strict scrutiny.
- 11 Sec. 2. REPEAL. Section 147.164, Code 2024, is repealed.
- 12 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
- 13 importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 14 Sec. 4. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act applies
- 15 retroactively to March 22, 2023.
- 16 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 19 This bill relates to the rights of parents, guardians,
- 20 and minors. The bill repeals Code section 147.164 (gender
- 21 transition procedure-related activities minors —
- 22 prohibitions), and makes a conforming change in the Code.
- 23 The bill takes effect upon enactment and is retroactively
- 24 applicable to March 22, 2023.