

House File 2036 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the confidentiality of the residential
- 2 addresses of foster parents.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

unofficial

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **237D.1 Foster parent addresses —**
2 **confidentiality.**

3 1. For purposes of this chapter:

4 a. "Address" means the residential address of a person.

5 b. "Child foster care" means the same as defined in section
6 237.1.

7 c. "Foster child" means a child receiving child foster care.

8 d. "Foster parent" means an individual licensee as defined in
9 section 237.1.

10 2. A person shall not knowingly provide or make available a
11 document to a biological parent of a foster child if the document
12 contains the unredacted address of the foster parent who is
13 currently providing child foster care to the foster child.

14 3. Notwithstanding subsection 2, a document may contain a
15 foster parent's unredacted address if the foster parent provides
16 written consent to divulge the address to a foster child's
17 biological parent prior to a person providing the document or
18 making the document available to the biological parent.

19 EXPLANATION

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

22 This bill relates to the confidentiality of the residential
23 addresses of foster parents.

24 The bill defines "address", "child foster care", "foster
25 child", and "foster parent".

26 The bill prohibits a person from knowingly providing or making
27 available a document to a biological parent of a foster child if
28 the document contains the unredacted address of the foster parent
29 who is currently providing child foster care to the foster child.

30 The bill allows a person to provide or make available
31 a document with a foster parent's unredacted address to a
32 biological parent of a foster child in the foster parent's care
33 if the foster parent provides prior written consent to divulge
34 the address.