

**Senate File 287 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 287  
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1008)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to family interactions during an ongoing child in  
2 need of assistance proceeding.

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

unofficial

1 Section 1. Section 232.102A, subsection 2, Code 2025, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. Family interactions shall continue regardless of a  
4 parent's failure to comply with the requirements of a court order  
5 or the department, ~~provided there is no finding by a court or~~  
6 ~~the department that such interaction would be detrimental to~~  
7 the child unless a court finds that substantial evidence exists  
8 that the family interactions, whether supervised or unsupervised,  
9 would pose a serious risk of physical or emotional harm to the  
10 child.

11 EXPLANATION

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

14 This bill relates to family interactions (interactions) during  
15 an ongoing child in need of assistance (CINA) proceeding.

16 Under current law, interactions during an ongoing CINA  
17 proceeding must continue unless a court or the department of  
18 health and human services finds that the interactions would  
19 be detrimental to a child. The bill requires interactions to  
20 continue unless a court finds substantial evidence exists that  
21 the interactions, whether supervised or unsupervised, would pose  
22 a serious risk of physical or emotional harm to the child.