

**House File 2600 - Reprinted**

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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2227)

(As Amended and Passed by the House February 29, 2024)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the venue for prosecution of a controlled  
2 substance violation resulting in the death or serious bodily  
3 injury of another.

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

1 Section 1. Section 124.401, subsection 1, Code 2024, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *j.* A person who causes the death of another  
4 person or who causes serious bodily injury to another person as  
5 described in paragraphs “g” and “h” may be charged criminally  
6 in either the county where the controlled substance violation  
7 occurred or in the county where the death or serious bodily  
8 injury occurred. Notwithstanding section 803.3, subsection  
9 1, if two prosecuting agencies are seeking to file criminal  
10 charges, the agency in the county where the controlled  
11 substance violation occurred shall have the primary right to  
12 proceed with prosecution of the offender.