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BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2036)

(As Amended and Passed by the House February 26, 2026)

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:

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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. "Department" means the department of health and human
8 services.

9 d. "Foster child" means a child receiving child foster care.

10 e. "Foster parent" means an individual licensee as defined in
11 section 237.1.

12 2. a. The department and the department's agents shall not
13 knowingly provide or make available a document to a biological
14 parent of a foster child if the document contains the unredacted
15 address of the foster parent who is currently providing child
16 foster care to the foster child.

17 b. The department and the department's agents shall not
18 verbally disclose the address of the foster parent who is
19 currently providing child foster care to a foster child to a
20 biological parent of the foster child.

21 3. Notwithstanding subsection 2, a document may contain a
22 foster parent's unredacted address, and the department and the
23 department's agents may verbally disclose a foster parent's
24 address, if the foster parent provides written consent to
25 disclose the address to a foster child's biological parent
26 prior to the department or the department's agent providing the
27 document, making the document available, or verbally disclosing
28 the address to the biological parent.