HOUSE FILE 710
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 112)

(As Amended and Passed by the House March 23, 2021)

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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to child endangerment committed by a sex offender, and providing penalties.

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

[Section 1. Section 726.6, Code 2021, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. A person who is required to register as a sex offender under chapter 692A for a sex offense against a minor who knowingly has control of a minor, or who knowingly has unsupervised access to a minor, commits child endangerment. However, this subsection does not apply to any of the following:]

a. A person who is required to register as a sex offender under chapter 692A for a sex offense against a minor who [knowingly has control of a minor, or who knowingly has unsupervised access to a minor, when the person is the legal parent or guardian of the minor and the control or unsupervised access is not] otherwise illegal.

b. A person who is required to register as a sex offender under chapter 692A for a sex offense against a minor who [knowingly has control of a minor, or who knowingly has unsupervised access to a minor, when the person is married to and living with the legal parent or guardian of the minor and the control or] unsupervised access is not otherwise illegal.

Sec. 2. Section 726.6, subsection 6, Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:

6. A person who commits child endangerment resulting in bodily injury to a child or minor or child endangerment in violation of subsection 1, paragraph "*g*", that does not result in a serious injury, or a person who commits child endangerment in violation of subsection 1A, is guilty of a class "D" felony.