

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the General Assembly
From: Iowa Judicial Branch
Re: 1136 XD— Guardian/Conservatorship Combined Petition
Date: 1/22/2015

This bill grants district court clerks the authority to file guardianship/conservatorship petitions as one proceeding with one docket number. The code instructs clerks to file these actions separately; however, the current practice is to file the petitions jointly under the probate subtype (GC). Combining these actions would reduce case processing. Additionally, this would resolve complications related to multi-filing for petitioners, clerks, and judges.