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A BILL FOR

1 An Act restricting commitments at the Iowa juvenile home to
2 female children.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 233B.1, subsection 2, Code Supplement
2 2005, is amended to read as follows:

3 2. The Iowa juvenile home shall be maintained for the
4 purpose of providing care, custody, and education of the
5 children committed to the home. The children committed to the
6 home shall be limited to female wards of the state. The
7 children's education shall embrace instruction in the common
8 school branches and in such other higher branches as may be
9 practical and will enable the children to gain useful and
10 self-sustaining employment. The administrator and the
11 superintendent of the home shall assist all discharged
12 children in securing suitable homes and proper employment.

13 Sec. 2. Section 233B.3, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005,
14 is amended to read as follows:

15 Admission to the home shall be granted to resident children
16 of the state under who are female and less than seventeen
17 years of age, ~~as follows,~~ giving preference in the following
18 descending order named:

19 Sec. 3. Section 233B.5, Code 2005, is amended to read as
20 follows:

21 233B.5 TRANSFERS.

22 The Subject to the admission criteria listed in section
23 233B.3, the administrator may transfer to the home minor wards
24 of the state from any institution under the administrator's
25 charge or under the charge of any other administrator of the
26 department of human services, ~~but no person shall be so~~
27 ~~transferred who is.~~ However, a person with who has mental
28 illness or mental retardation, or who is incorrigible, or has
29 any vicious habits, or whose presence in the home would be
30 inimical to the moral or physical welfare of the other
31 children within the home shall not be transferred to the home,
32 and any such child placed in the home may be transferred to
33 the proper state institution.

34 Sec. 4. Section 233B.7, Code 2005, is amended to read as
35 follows:

1 233B.7 RULES.

2 All children admitted or committed to the home ~~shall be~~
3 ~~wards of the state and~~ are subject to the admission criteria
4 listed in section 233B.3 and the rules of the home. Subject
5 to the approval of the administrator, any child received under
6 voluntary application may be expelled by the superintendent
7 for disobedience and refusal to submit to proper discipline.
8 Children shall be discharged upon ~~arriving at~~ attaining the
9 age of eighteen years, or sooner if possessed of sufficient
10 means to provide for themselves.

11 EXPLANATION

12 This bill amends Code chapter 233B to restrict commitments
13 at the Iowa juvenile home to female children. The home is
14 located in Toledo and is administered by the department of
15 human services.

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