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May 1, 2024

The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 2600, an Act relating to the venue for prosecution of a controlled substance violation resulting in the death or serious bodily injury of another.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

Governor of Lowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate

Clerk of the House



House File 2600

## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE VENUE FOR PROSECUTION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE VIOLATION RESULTING IN THE DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OF ANOTHER.

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

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

NEW PARAGRAPH. j. A person who causes the death of another person or who causes serious bodily injury to another person as described in paragraphs "g" and "h" may be charged criminally in either the county where the controlled substance violation occurred or in the county where the death or serious bodily injury occurred. Notwithstanding section 803.3, subsection 1, if two prosecuting agencies are seeking to file criminal charges, the agency in the county where the controlled

substance violation occurred shall have the primary right to	
proceed with prosecution of the offender.	
MS Coull	- Amy Sinclain
PAT GRASSLEY	AMY SINCLAIR
Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2600, Ninetieth General Assembly.	
	MEGHAN NELSON
	Chief Clerk of the House
Approved May 2024	Tun Raynolds
I	KIM REVNOLDS /

Governor