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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act expanding the jurisdiction of the juvenile court to  
2 include modifying certain child support orders.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 232.109, Code 2001, is amended to read  
2 as follows:

3 232.109 JURISDICTION.

4 The juvenile court shall have exclusive jurisdiction over  
5 proceedings under this chapter to terminate a parent-child  
6 relationship and all parental rights with respect to a child.  
7 No such termination shall be ordered except under the  
8 provisions of this chapter if the court has made an order  
9 concerning the child pursuant to the provisions of division  
10 III of this chapter and the order is in force at the time a  
11 petition for termination is filed. The juvenile court shall  
12 also have jurisdiction to modify any child support order to  
13 conform with changes in custody ordered pursuant to this  
14 division.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill expands the jurisdiction of the juvenile court to  
17 include modifying certain child support orders. Under the  
18 bill, the juvenile court is granted jurisdiction to modify any  
19 child support order to conform with any change of custody  
20 ordered in a child in need of assistance proceeding in  
21 juvenile court.

22 Current law grants only the district court with  
23 jurisdiction to modify a child support order.

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