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HOUSE FILE 706
BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
REGULATION AND LABOR

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 231)

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SENATE/HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BILL)

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Iowa Workforce Development

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MEMORANDUM

Date: January 11, 2005
To: General Assembly
From: Jane S. Barto, Deputy Director
Iowa Workforce Development
(515) 281-5082

RE: LSB # 1203 - An Act relating to access to dependent adult abuse information and unemployment compensation claims.

This bill with one section authorizes persons involved in court or administrative agency proceedings, before Workforce Development and the Department of Inspections and Appeals, involving unemployment insurance benefit cases access to dependent adult abuse information maintained by the Department of Human Services for the purpose of determining an individual's eligibility for unemployment benefits. The bill does not authorize access to unfounded dependent adult abuse information.

The problem is a question has arisen as to whether the administrative agencies may have access to dependent adult abuse information because the agencies are not included in the list of agencies granted access. The information is necessary to determine if the actions of a claimant for unemployment benefits would result in an allowance or disqualification from the receipt of benefits.

Workforce Development hears about 28 cases a year currently in which dependent adult abuse information is pertinent.

The solution is to amend the Code to include access to the information for unemployment benefit cases.