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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 38)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the rights and responsibilities of a person
2 providing family foster care.

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

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2 be cited as the "Foster Parents Bill of Rights".

3 Sec. 2. Section 237.3, subsection 2, paragraph k, Code
4 2005, is amended to read as follows:

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6 rights and responsibilities associated with an individual
7 providing family foster care. The rights and responsibilities
8 shall include but are not limited to all of the following:

9 (1) Receiving information prior to the child's placement
10 regarding risk factors concerning the child that are known to
11 the department.

12 (2) Having regularly scheduled meetings with each case
13 manager assigned to the child.

14 (3) Receiving access to any reports prepared by a service
15 provider who is working with the child unless the access is
16 prohibited by state or federal law.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill relates to the rights and responsibilities of a
19 person providing family foster care.

20 The bill includes a short title so it will be known and may
21 be cited as the "Foster Parents Bill of Rights".

22 The bill amends Code section 237.3, relating to rules
23 adopted by the department of human services in regard to
24 agreements outlining a family foster care provider's rights
25 and responsibilities. Under the bill, these are to include
26 receiving information prior to the child's placement regarding
27 risk factors concerning the child that are known to the
28 department, having regularly scheduled meetings with each case
29 manager assigned to the child, and receiving access to any
30 reports prepared by a service provider who is working with the
31 child unless the access is prohibited by state or federal law.

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President of the Senate

CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2249, Eighty-first General Assembly.

MICHAEL E. MARSHALL
Secretary of the Senate

Approved _____, 2006

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Governor