



## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill:	House File 2515 (Formerly HSB 617)	House Committee:	<b>PASSED</b> on February 10 (21-0)
Committee:	Judiciary	House Floor:	
Floor Manager:	Rep. Fett	Senate Floor:	
Date:	March 3, 2026	Governor:	
Staff:	Amanda Wille (1-5230)		

### Sexual Exploitation- No Deferred Sentence

- Prohibits the courts from granting a deferred or suspended sentence to anyone convicted of sexual exploitation of a minor if the victim was under 12, or prepubescent, at the time of the offense.
- **Fiscal Note** – Cannot be determined due to lack of historical data.

### Section by Section Analysis

Section 1- Deferred Judgement, Deferred or Suspended Sentence, Probation- Deferred Judgement, Deferred Sentence, or Suspended Sentence (907.3)

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Section 2- Deferred Judgement, Deferred or Suspended Sentence, Probation- Deferred Judgement, Deferred Sentence, or Suspended Sentence (907.3)

The court shall not suspend the sentence for a person convicted of sexual exploitation of a minor if at the time the minor was under 12 or prepubescent.

### Amendment Analysis

**H-8117- Fett**– strike after

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**H-8137 by R. Johnson** – Anyone who is a known associate of Jeffrey Epstein, and who is convicted of a sex offense that would require registration in Iowa, shall be added to the Iowa sex offender registry.