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Madam Chair Sen Larson and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I am Sen David Clemens from District 16 and here to introduce SB 2186.

SB 2186 is about the removal or withholding of a child in violation of a custody decree. Current law states that an individual who intentionally causes the removal of their own child outside this state is guilty of a Class C felony if withheld for over 72 hours past the allowed custody.

SB 2186 amends current law to also include the detaining of a child within this state in violation of a custody decree. The first and second offense would be a Class A misdemeanor and a Class C felony for the third offense. SB2186 also removes the 72-hour time limit.

This completes my introduction of SB2186 and with permission, I would refer questions to those testifying.

Respectfully submitted,

Sen David Clemens