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HUMAN RESOURCES

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the establishment and funding of an
2 automated external defibrillator grant program.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135.26 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL
2 DEFIBRILLATOR GRANT PROGRAM.

3 The department shall establish and implement an automated
4 external defibrillator grant program which provides matching
5 funds to local boards of health, community organizations, or
6 cities for the program after standards and requirements for
7 the utilization of automated external defibrillator equipment,
8 and training on the use of such equipment, are developed at
9 the local level. The objective of the program shall be to
10 enhance the emergency response system in rural areas of the
11 state where access to health care providers is often limited
12 by providing increased access to automated external
13 defibrillator equipment by rural emergency and community
14 personnel. A local board of health, community organization,
15 or city may submit an application to the department for
16 review. The department shall establish criteria for the
17 review and approval of grant applications by rule. The amount
18 of a grant shall not exceed fifty percent of the cost of the
19 automated external defibrillator equipment to be distributed
20 to the applicant and the training program to be administered
21 by the applicant at the local level. Each application shall
22 include information demonstrating that the applicant will
23 provide matching funds of fifty percent of the cost of the
24 program. Grant recipients shall submit an annual report to
25 the department indicating automated external defibrillator
26 equipment usage levels, patient outcomes, and number of
27 individuals trained.

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EXPLANATION

29 This bill provides that the Iowa department of public
30 health shall establish an automated external defibrillator
31 grant program to assist in the distribution of automated
32 external defibrillator equipment and providing training
33 regarding equipment utilization. The bill provides that the
34 objective of the program shall be to enhance the emergency
35 response system in rural areas of the state where access to

1 health care providers is often limited by providing increased
2 access to automated external defibrillator equipment by rural
3 emergency and community personnel. The bill provides that a
4 local board of health, community organization, or city may
5 submit an application to the department for review, which
6 shall be subject to eligibility and approval criteria
7 established by the department by rule. The bill provides that
8 the amount of a grant shall not exceed 50 percent of the cost
9 of the automated external defibrillator equipment to be
10 distributed and the training program to be administered at the
11 local level, and that each application shall include
12 information demonstrating that the applicant will provide
13 matching funds of 50 percent of the cost of the program. The
14 bill provides that grant recipients shall submit an annual
15 report to the department indicating automated external
16 defibrillator equipment usage levels, patient outcomes, and
17 number of individuals trained.

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