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**Memo**

**RE: Amending Iowa Code § 26(3)(b)(3)**

Currently, if emergency work or repair or maintenance work is performed on a building under the control of a governmental entity by anyone but an employee of the governmental entity, that project must undergo design work by an engineer or architectural firm. However, if the same work is performed by an employee of the governmental entity to restore the facility to its original condition with the same initial design, there is no need to obtain review by an engineer or architectural firm. This proposal is intended to create efficiencies in the ongoing maintenance of all government occupied/owned buildings while still requiring appropriate professional engineering or architectural review for projects that may impact a facility beyond regular repair or maintenance.