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Mann, Chair
Ritsema
Slater

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Do Pass 2/14/84 (p. 1047)

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Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 96 Nays 0
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to skilled nursing care coverage provided
2 by insurers and hospital and medical service corporations
3 to hospitalized insureds and subscribers.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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2 IN HOSPITALS. An insurer, a hospital service corporation,
3 or a medical service corporation, which covers the costs of
4 skilled nursing care under an individual or group policy of
5 accident and health insurance regulated under chapter 509
6 or 514A or under a nonprofit hospital or medical and surgical
7 service plan regulated under chapter 514, shall also cover
8 the costs of skilled nursing care in a hospital if the level
9 of care needed by the insured or subscriber has been
10 reclassified from acute care to skilled nursing care and no
11 designated skilled nursing care beds or swing beds are
12 available in the hospital or in another hospital or health
13 care facility within a thirty-mile radius of the hospital.
14 The insurer or corporation shall reimburse the insured or
15 subscriber based on the skilled nursing care rate.

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill requires accident and health insurers and hospital
18 and medical service corporations, which cover the costs of
19 skilled nursing care, to cover the costs of skilled nursing
20 care to hospitalized insureds or subscribers who require
21 skilled nursing care rather than acute care, but who cannot
22 be accommodated with that level of care in that hospital or
23 another hospital or health care facility within a thirty-mile
24 radius of that hospital.

25 The bill would become law July 1 following enactment.

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ROBERT T. ANDERSON
President of the Senate

DONALD D. AVENSON
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and
is known as Senate File 324, Seventieth General Assembly.

Approved  1984

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Governor

K. MARIE THAYER
Secretary of the Senate

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