

**CHAPTER 1027****HOSPITALIZATION HEARINGS — PATIENT ADVOCATES***H.F. 2134*

**AN ACT** to permit the patient advocate to attend hospitalization hearings of persons who are alleged to be seriously mentally impaired.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 229.9A ADVOCATE INFORMED.

The court shall direct the clerk to furnish the advocate of the respondent's county of legal settlement with a copy of application and any order issued pursuant to section 229.8, subsection 3. The advocate may attend the hospitalization hearing of any respondent for whom the advocate has received notice of a hospitalization hearing.

Sec. 2. Section 229.12, subsection 2, Code 1993, is amended to read as follows:

2. All persons not necessary for the conduct of the proceeding shall be excluded, except that the court may admit persons having a legitimate interest in the proceeding and shall permit the advocate from the respondent's county of legal settlement to attend the hearing. Upon motion of the county attorney, the judge may exclude the respondent from the hearing during the testimony of any particular witness if the judge determines that witness' testimony is likely to cause the respondent severe emotional trauma.

Approved March 31, 1994

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**CHAPTER 1028****SIZE OF REGISTRATION PLATES FOR CERTAIN TRAILERS***H.F. 2156*

**AN ACT** relating to size requirements for registration plates for certain trailers and providing effective and applicability dates.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 321.166, subsection 1, Code 1993, is amended to read as follows:

1. Registration plates shall be of metal and of a size not to exceed six inches by twelve inches, except that the size of plates issued for use on motorized bicycles, motorcycles, motorcycle trailers, trailers with an empty weight of two thousand pounds or less, and special mobile equipment shall be established by the department.

Sec. 2. Section 321.166, subsection 3, Code 1993, is amended to read as follows:

3. The registration plate number shall be displayed in characters which shall not exceed a height of four inches nor a stroke width exceeding five-eighths of an inch. Special plates issued to dealers shall display the alphabetical character "D", which shall be of the same size of the characters in the registration plate. The registration plate number issued for motorized bicycles, motorcycles, trailers with an empty weight of two thousand pounds or less, and motorcycle trailers shall be a size prescribed by the department.

Sec. 3. Section 321.166, subsection 4, Code 1993, is amended to read as follows:

4. The registration plate number, except on motorized bicycle, motorcycle, motorcycle trailer, trailers with an empty weight of two thousand pounds or less, and special mobile equipment registration plates, shall be of sufficient size to be readable from a distance of one hundred feet during daylight.