

**193D—4.2(544B,17A) Receipt of complaints.** The board shall receive and review all complaints which the board reasonably believes indicate that a licensee may have committed an act that is cause for disciplinary action.

**4.2(1) *Complaints.*** Any person may file a complaint with the board charging that a licensee may have committed an act that is in violation of applicable law or rules. The complaint shall be written and signed by the complainant and accompanied with substantial evidence indicating when, where, and how the licensee committed the violation. All complaints filed with the board shall be privileged and held confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.6(4) by all board members, peer review committee members and staff. A person filing a complaint shall receive immunities in accordance with Iowa Code section 272C.8.

**4.2(2) *Board-instigated complaints.*** Upon presentation of evidence by a board member, the board's staff, or other state agency, the board may determine that a complaint should be opened and an investigation begun to determine if a licensee may have committed an act that is in violation of applicable law or rules.

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