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April 20, 2006

The Honorable Chester Culver Secretary of State State Capitol Building L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2588, an Act relating to the criminal and abuse registry checks required of a person employed by a licensed health care facility.

House File 2654, an Act relating to motor vehicles and the powers and duties of the county treasurer in relation to motor vehicles and property taxation and including effective and applicability date provisions.

House File 2672, an Act relating to payment of attorney fees in termination of parental rights proceedings, providing an effective date, and providing for retroactive applicability.

House File 2705, an Act providing for changes relating to specified aspects of the operation of the department of administrative services.

The above House Files are hereby approved this date.

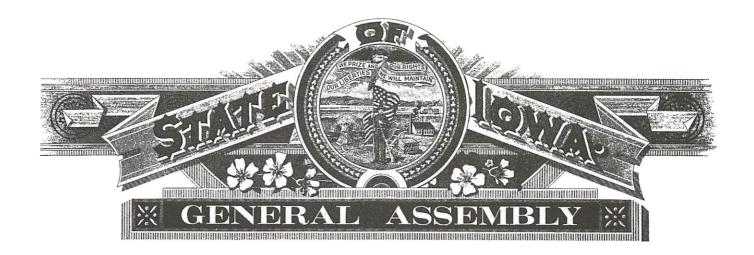
Sincerely,

Thomas J. Vilsack Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 2588

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CRIMINAL AND ABUSE REGISTRY CHECKS REQUIRED OF A PERSON EMPLOYED BY A LICENSED HEALTH CARE FACILITY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 135C.33, subsection 4, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

4. <u>a.</u> A <u>Except as provided in paragraph "b", a person who</u> <u>has committed a crime or has a record of founded child or</u> <u>dependent adult abuse</u> shall not be employed in a facility licensed under this chapter unless an evaluation has been performed by the department of human services. If the department of human services determines from the evaluation that the person has committed a crime or has a record of founded child or dependent adult abuse which warrants prohibition of employment, the person shall not be employed in a facility licensed under this chapter.

b. A person with a criminal or abuse record who is employed by a facility licensed under this chapter and is hired by another licensee without a lapse in employment shall be subject to the criminal history and abuse record checks required pursuant to subsection 1. If an evaluation was previously performed by the department of human services concerning the person's criminal or abuse record and it was determined that the record did not warrant prohibition of the person's employment and the latest record checks do not indicate a crime was committed or founded abuse record was entered subsequent to that evaluation, the person may commence employment with the other licensee while the department of

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human services' evaluation of the latest record checks is pending. Otherwise, the requirements of paragraph "a" remain applicable to the person's employment.

CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS Speaker of the House

JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2588, Eighty-first General Assembly.

Margaret Thomson

MARGARET THOMSON Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _ , 2006

THOMAS J. VILSACK Governor