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April 17, 2015

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol Building
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 201, an Act relating to the findings of an examining physician assistant for a person believed to be seriously mentally impaired in an emergency situation.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry E. Branstad".

Terry E. Branstad
Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House



Senate File 201

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE FINDINGS OF AN EXAMINING PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
FOR A PERSON BELIEVED TO BE SERIOUSLY MENTALLY IMPAIRED IN
AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.

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

Section 1. Section 229.22, subsection 2, paragraph a,
subparagraph (4), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

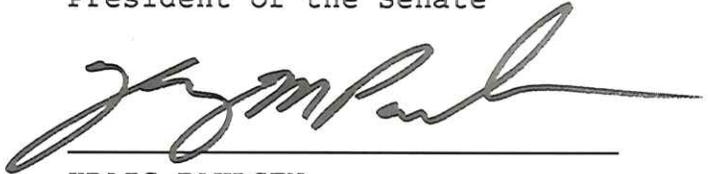
(4) If the examining physician, examining physician
assistant, or examining psychiatric advanced registered
nurse practitioner finds that there is reason to believe that
the person is seriously mentally impaired, and because of
that impairment is likely to physically injure the person's
self or others if not immediately detained, the examining
physician, examining physician assistant, or examining
psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner shall at
once communicate with the nearest available magistrate as

defined in section 801.4, subsection 10. ~~For purposes of this subparagraph, the findings of the examining physician assistant must be approved by the examining physician assistant's supervising physician before the examining physician assistant communicates with the nearest available magistrate.~~



PAM JOCHUM

President of the Senate



KRAIG PAULSEN

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 201, Eighty-sixth General Assembly.



MICHAEL E. MARSHALL

Secretary of the Senate

Approved April 17, 2015



TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor