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APPROPRIATIONS

HOUSE FILE 2483  
BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 686)

Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to employment background checks by care  
2 facilities and services, creating a single contact repository,  
3 and making appropriations.

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

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2 appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
3 department of general services, division of information  
4 technology services, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
5 1998, and ending June 30, 1999, the following amounts, or so  
6 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
7 designated:

8 1. For development and other start-up costs to establish a  
9 single contact repository implementing the provisions of this  
10 Act:

11 ..... \$ 277,000

12 2. For operational costs of the single contact repository  
13 in FY 1998-1999:

14 ..... \$ 46,200

15 The department of inspections and appeals shall provide  
16 direction to the division for implementation of the single  
17 contact repository.

18 Sec. 2. Section 135C.33, Code Supplement 1997, is amended  
19 by adding the following new subsection 1 and renumbering the  
20 succeeding subsections:

21 NEW SUBSECTION. 1. For the purposes of this section, in  
22 addition to the meaning defined for this chapter, "facility"  
23 or "facility licensed under this chapter" includes all of the  
24 following:

- 25 a. An elder group home certified under chapter 231B.
- 26 b. An assisted living facility certified or voluntarily  
27 accredited under chapter 231C.
- 28 c. A provider of homemaker, home-health aide, home-care  
29 aide, or adult day care services.
- 30 d. A hospice.
- 31 e. A provider of services under a federal medical  
32 assistance home and community-based services waiver.

33 Sec. 3. Section 135C.33, Code Supplement 1997, is amended  
34 by adding the following new subsection:

35 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The department of inspections and

1 appeals, in conjunction with other departments and agencies of  
2 state government involved with criminal history and abuse  
3 registry information, shall establish a single contact  
4 repository for facilities licensed under this chapter to have  
5 electronic access to data to perform background checks for  
6 purposes of employment.

7 Sec. 4. Section 692A.13, Code 1997, is amended by adding  
8 the following new subsection:

9 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. The department shall provide  
10 information for purposes of the single contact repository  
11 established pursuant to section 135C.33, in accordance with  
12 rules adopted by the department.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill relates to employment background checks by health  
15 care facilities and services and creates a single contact  
16 repository for access to data to obtain background  
17 information. In addition, the bill provides an appropriation  
18 to the department of general services for initial and  
19 operating costs for the repository.

20 Code section 135C.33, relating to required abuse  
21 information and criminal records checks for employment in  
22 health care facilities licensed under Code chapter 135C, is  
23 amended to require the checks of employees of elder group  
24 homes, certified or accredited assisted living facilities,  
25 providers of homemaker, home-health aide, home-care aide, and  
26 adult day care services, hospices, and providers of services  
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28 waiver services.

29 The bill directs the department of inspections and appeals  
30 to work with other departments of state government in  
31 establishing a single contact repository for these facilities  
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33 checks.

34 Code section 692A.13 is amended to direct the department of  
35 public safety to provide sex offender registry information as

1 part of the single contact repository.

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