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BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2525)
(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2141)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the protection of and provision of safe living
2 environments for certain individuals including providing safe
3 assisted living facilities.

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

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HF 2544

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 104A.5A EXISTING BUILDINGS.

2 1. A limited time, determined to be reasonable by the
3 authority having jurisdiction, shall be allowed for compliance
4 with any part of this chapter relative to buildings in
5 existence on July 1, 1998. The determination of the time
6 allowed for compliance shall be commensurate with the
7 magnitude of expenditure, disruption of services, and the
8 degree of hazard presented.

9 2. The requirements for buildings in existence on July 1,
10 1998, may be modified if the authority having jurisdiction
11 determines that compliance would be unreasonable, but only if
12 noncompliance does not present an unreasonable degree of
13 danger.

14 3. For the purposes of assisted living programs as defined
15 in section 231C.2, the authority having jurisdiction is the
16 department of elder affairs.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill relates to the protection of and the provision of
19 safe living environments for certain persons including
20 dependent adults. The bill provides for a deviation from
21 accessibility, for persons with disabilities, to buildings and
22 facilities requirements relating to existing buildings, if the
23 deviation does not present an unreasonable degree of danger.
24 The bill defines the authority having jurisdiction over
25 assisted living programs for the purpose of this new Code
26 section as the department of elder affairs.

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