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HOUSE FILE 133
BY BRUNKHORST

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to use of a professional designation by an
2 audiologist.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 147.74, subsection 11, Code 1999, is
2 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
3 thereof the following:

4 11. A speech pathologist with a doctoral degree may use
5 the suffix "Ph.D", or the prefix "Doctor" or "Dr." and add
6 after the person's name the words "speech pathologist". An
7 audiologist with a doctoral degree may use the suffix "Ph.D"
8 or "Au.D", or the prefix "Doctor" or "Dr." and add after the
9 person's name the word "audiologist". The suffix "Au.D" shall
10 refer exclusively to a doctoral degree obtained through a
11 regular course of academic study beyond the bachelor's and
12 master's levels from an accredited school, college, or
13 university leading to the designation of "Doctor of
14 Audiology".

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill provides that the suffix "Au.D" may be used as a
17 professional designation by an audiologist, in addition to the
18 previously available suffix "Ph.D", provided that the degree
19 leading to utilization of the suffix "Au.D" was obtained
20 through a regular course of academic study beyond the
21 bachelor's and master's levels from an accredited school,
22 college, or university leading to the designation of "Doctor
23 of Audiology".

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