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A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a governor's award for quality care in health
2 care facilities.

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

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SF 371 HUMAN RESOURCES

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135C.20B GOVERNOR'S AWARD --
2 QUALITY CARE.

3 1. A governor's award for quality care is established, to
4 be awarded annually by the governor to a health care facility
5 in the state which demonstrates provision of the highest
6 quality care to residents.

7 2. The department shall adopt rules establishing the
8 criteria to determine quality care. In developing the
9 criteria, the department shall consult with the members of
10 Iowa partners for resident care and shall also consider all of
11 the following:

12 a. The report cards completed pursuant to section 135C.20A
13 for the prior year and for the entire history of the facility.

14 b. Any unique services provided by a facility to its
15 residents to improve the quality of care in the facility.

16 c. Any information submitted by care review committee
17 members or residents with regard to the quality of care of the
18 facility.

19 d. Whether the facility accepts residents for whom costs
20 of care are paid under chapter 249A.

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill establishes a governor's quality care award to be
23 awarded, annually, to a health care facility in the state
24 which demonstrates the provision of quality care to its
25 residents. The bill requires the department of inspections
26 and appeals to adopt rules, in consultation with the members
27 of the Iowa partners for resident care, which establish
28 criteria to determine quality care.

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