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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE 588
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to education and continuing education
2 requirements for certification as a nurse aide.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135C.34A NURSE AIDE --
2 CERTIFICATION.

3 In addition to any other training requirements established
4 by the department by rule, a nurse aide training and
5 competency evaluation program shall consist of and require no
6 less than ninety clock hours of training by students prior to
7 certification. Upon receiving initial certification, a
8 certified nurse aide shall receive a minimum of twelve hours
9 of continuing education annually in order to maintain
10 certification. The department shall establish curriculum
11 content, instructor qualifications, and related requirements
12 regarding initial and continuing certification pursuant to
13 this section by rule.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill provides for education requirements relating to
16 initial and ongoing certification as a nurse aide. The bill
17 provides that in addition to any other training requirements
18 established by the department of inspections and appeals by
19 rule, a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program
20 shall consist of at least 90 clock hours of training. The
21 bill provides that after becoming certified, a nurse aide
22 shall receive a minimum of 12 hours of continuing education
23 annually in order to maintain that certification. The bill
24 provides that the department shall establish curriculum
25 content, instructor qualifications, and related requirements
26 regarding initial and continuing certification by rule.

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