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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring the department of corrections to test inmates
2 for certain staph infections.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5905YH 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 904.108, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
1 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. p. Establish and maintain a program that
1 4 requires every institution listed in section 904.102 to
1 5 establish a methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)
1 6 surveillance and control program. The program shall require
1 7 the identification and, if necessary, isolation of
1 8 MRSA-colonized or MRSA-infected inmates in an appropriate
1 9 manner.

EXPLANATION

1 10 Methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus is a
1 11 drug-resistant type of staph bacteria. This bill requires
1 12 that the department of corrections establish a
1 13 methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus surveillance and
1 14 control program to identify and isolate inmates infected with
1 15 this disease.
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