

**House Study Bill 573 - Introduced**

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
ON COMMERCE BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON SODERBERG)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing a definition for the term "locating" as  
2 applicable to the practice of land surveying.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 542B.2, Code 2011, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. The term "*locating*" as used in this  
4 chapter means the permanent affixing of a marker to the earth  
5 for the purpose of establishing a lot or property boundary.  
6 The term "*locating*" does not refer to the physical discovery or  
7 observation of existing markers.

8 EXPLANATION

9 This bill provides a definition for the term "locating" as  
10 performed in the practice of land surveying.

11 Code chapter 542B defines the practice of "land surveying"  
12 to include, among other specified actions and services,  
13 locating, relocating, establishing, reestablishing, setting,  
14 or resetting of permanent monumentation for any property line  
15 or boundary of any tract or parcel of land. The bill provides  
16 that the term "locating" as used in that definition means the  
17 permanent affixing of a marker to the earth for the purpose  
18 of establishing a lot or property boundary. The bill states  
19 that "locating" does not refer to the physical discovery or  
20 observation of existing markers.