

**Senate File 2252 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN  
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2002)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing a task force related to breast density  
2 education and notification.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. BREAST DENSITY TASK FORCE AND REPORT.

2 1. The department of public health shall establish and  
3 facilitate a task force to discuss breast density and its  
4 relationship to cancer.

5 2. The membership of the task force shall include but is not  
6 limited to the following:

7 a. A representative of the department of public health.

8 b. A representative of the department of human services.

9 c. Medical professionals working with breast cancer  
10 patients.

11 d. A radiologist.

12 e. A primary care physician.

13 f. A physician assistant or advanced registered nurse  
14 practitioner.

15 g. Two advocates for notification to patients of breast  
16 density.

17 h. A legal expert in health care matters concerning  
18 notification to patients.

19 i. A representative from a hospital or other health care  
20 facility.

21 j. A representative from the insurance industry.

22 k. Other persons as the department of public health deems  
23 appropriate.

24 3. The task force shall determine the essential elements of  
25 an education tool for patients and health care professionals in  
26 Iowa regarding breast density and its relationship to cancer.

27 4. The task force shall make recommendations for the  
28 implementation of a tool to educate patients and health care  
29 professionals in Iowa about breast density and its relationship  
30 to cancer.

31 5. The task force shall develop a process to notify patients  
32 or referring health care professionals that a patient has  
33 dense breasts after a finding of dense breasts through medical  
34 testing.

35 6. The task force shall make other findings and

1 recommendations as appropriate.

2 7. The task force shall, by November 15, 2014, submit a  
3 report of its findings and recommendations to the governor and  
4 the general assembly.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
7 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

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8 This bill requires the department of public health to  
9 establish and facilitate a task force to discuss breast density  
10 and its relationship to cancer. The task force shall determine  
11 the elements necessary for an educational tool which will  
12 educate patients and health care professionals in Iowa about  
13 breast density and its relationship to cancer. The task force  
14 shall also make recommendations for the implementation of this  
15 educational tool. The task force shall create a process to  
16 inform patients or referring health care professionals that  
17 a patient has dense breasts after a finding of dense breasts  
18 through medical testing such as a mammogram. The bill directs  
19 the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to  
20 the governor and the general assembly by November 15, 2014.