

**Senate Study Bill 3028 - Introduced**

SENATE/HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED JUDICIAL BRANCH  
BILL)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the placement of shorthand reporters  
2 in exempt status and to the supervision of the board of  
3 examiners of shorthand reporters.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 602.3101, Code 2016, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The supreme court shall supervise  
4 the board and may review, approve, modify, or reject any  
5 board action, procedure, or decision. The supreme court may  
6 adopt rules to implement this subsection and the rules shall  
7 prevail over any other laws or court rules relating to actions,  
8 activities, procedures, or decisions of the board.

9 Sec. 2. Section 602.3201, Code 2016, is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 **602.3201 Requirement of certification — use of title —**  
12 **exempt status.**

13 1. A person shall not engage in the profession of shorthand  
14 reporting unless the person is certified pursuant to this  
15 chapter, or otherwise exempted pursuant to section 602.6603,  
16 subsection 4. Only a person who is certified by the board  
17 may assume the title of certified shorthand reporter, or use  
18 the abbreviation C.S.R., or any words, letters, or figures to  
19 indicate that the person is a certified shorthand reporter.

20 2. If a person's certification as a shorthand reporter is  
21 placed in exempt status, the person nonetheless may transcribe  
22 or certify a proceeding the person reported while certified  
23 as an active shorthand reporter. A person transcribing or  
24 certifying a proceeding pursuant to this subsection shall  
25 remain subject to the jurisdiction of the board of examiners  
26 of shorthand reporters.

27 EXPLANATION

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

30 This bill relates to the placement of shorthand reporters in  
31 exempt status and to the supervision of the board of examiners  
32 of shorthand reporters.

33 The bill provides that the supreme court shall supervise the  
34 board of examiners of shorthand reporters and have authority to  
35 review, approve, modify, or reject a board action, procedure,

1 or decision. The bill also provides that the supreme court  
2 may adopt rules relating to the supervision of the board of  
3 examiners of shorthand reporters and the bill specifies that  
4 the rules shall prevail over any other laws or court rules  
5 relating to actions, activities, procedures, or decisions of  
6 the board.

7 The bill provides that if a shorthand reporter's  
8 certification is placed in exempt status, the reporter  
9 may nonetheless transcribe or certify a proceeding that  
10 was reported while the reporter was certified as an active  
11 shorthand reporter. A reporter transcribing or certifying a  
12 proceeding while in exempt status shall remain subject to the  
13 jurisdiction of the board of examiners of shorthand reporters.