

House Study Bill 72 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON FRY)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the requirements for nurse aide training and
2 testing programs provided by or in a nursing facility.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NURSE AIDE TRAINING AND TESTING PROGRAMS
2 PROVIDED BY OR IN A NURSING FACILITY. Pursuant to chapter
3 249A, the department of human services shall adopt rules
4 pursuant to chapter 17A to provide policies and procedures
5 governing the department of inspections and appeals, as the
6 designated department to approve nurse aide training and
7 testing programs provided by or in a nursing facility. The
8 rules shall provide for all of the following:

9 1. The utilization of online course curricula to meet the
10 required minimum of thirty hours of classroom instruction and
11 the required minimum of fifteen hours of laboratory experience.

12 2. A definition of clock hours for the purposes of meeting
13 the required minimum of seventy-five clock hours of training
14 to include classroom instruction, prior equivalent experience,
15 or both.

16 EXPLANATION

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

19 This bill directs the department of human services (DHS) to
20 adopt rules pursuant to Code chapter 17A to provide policies
21 and procedures governing the department of inspections
22 and appeals, as the designated department to approve nurse
23 aide training and testing programs provided by or in a
24 nursing facility, to provide for both of the following: The
25 utilization of online course curricula to meet the required
26 minimum of 30 hours of classroom instruction and the required
27 minimum of 15 hours of laboratory experience and the definition
28 of clock hours for the purposes of meeting the required minimum
29 of 75 clock hours of training to include classroom instruction,
30 prior equivalent experience, or both.