

House File 212 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the operation of the board of medicine, the
2 board of nursing, the board of pharmacy, and the dental
3 board.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 10A.402, subsection 1, Code 2019, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. Investigations relative to the practice of regulated
4 professions and occupations, ~~except those within the~~
5 ~~jurisdiction of the board of medicine, the board of pharmacy,~~
6 ~~the dental board, and the board of nursing.~~

7 Sec. 2. Section 135.11A, subsection 1, Code 2019, is amended
8 to read as follows:

9 1. There shall be a professional licensure division within
10 the department of public health. Each board under **chapter 147**
11 or under the administrative authority of the department, ~~except~~
12 ~~the board of nursing, board of medicine, dental board, and~~
13 ~~board of pharmacy,~~ shall receive administrative and clerical
14 support from the division and may not employ its own support
15 staff for administrative and clerical duties.

16 Sec. 3. Section 147.80, subsection 3, Code 2019, is amended
17 by striking the subsection.

18 Sec. 4. Section 147.88, Code 2019, is amended to read as
19 follows:

20 **147.88 Inspections and investigations.**

21 The department of inspections and appeals may perform
22 inspections and investigations as required by this subtitle,
23 ~~except inspections and investigations for the board of~~
24 ~~medicine, board of pharmacy, board of nursing, and the dental~~
25 ~~board.~~ The department of inspections and appeals shall
26 employ personnel related to the inspection and investigative
27 functions.

28 Sec. 5. Section 153.33, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
29 2019, is amended by striking the paragraph.

30 Sec. 6. Section 153.33, subsection 4, Code 2019, is amended
31 by striking the subsection.

32 Sec. 7. REPEAL. Sections 148.14 and 152.11, Code 2019, are
33 repealed.

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EXPLANATION

35 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

1 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

2 This bill relates to the operation of the dental board and
3 the board of medicine, nursing, and dentistry. Under current
4 law, the boards are responsible for employing support staff
5 and investigators. The bill moves staffing responsibilities
6 to the department of public health, which currently provides
7 such services to other licensing boards under the authority of
8 the department.