

**House File 2552 - Introduced**

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BY LAWLER

**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act exempting cancer care providers from certificate of need
- 2 requirements.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 135.61, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. "Cancer care provider" means any of the  
4 following:

- 5 a. An outpatient oncology clinic.
- 6 b. A radiation therapy center.
- 7 c. A chemotherapy infusion center.
- 8 d. An outpatient cancer diagnostic facility.
- 9 e. An oncology surgical center.
- 10 f. An ancillary support service directly related to cancer  
11 treatment.

12 Sec. 2. Section 135.62, Code 2026, is amended by adding the  
13 following new subsection:

14 NEW SUBSECTION. 3A. This subchapter shall not apply to a  
15 cancer care provider.

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 Under current law, a health care provider (provider) is  
20 required to obtain a certificate of need (CON) from the  
21 department of health and human services if the provider plans  
22 to offer a new institutional health service or a changed  
23 institutional health service.

24 This bill defines "cancer care provider" and exempts cancer  
25 care providers from CON requirements.