

CHAPTER 1026

STATUTORY ELEMENTS OF ASSAULT

H.F. 2324

AN ACT relating to the statutory elements of certain forms of assault.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 708.2, subsection 2, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

2. A person who commits an assault, as defined in section 708.1, ~~without the intent to inflict a serious injury upon another~~, and who causes bodily injury or ~~disabling~~ mental illness, is guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. Section 708.3A, subsection 3, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

3. A person who commits an assault, as defined in section 708.1, against a peace officer, health care provider, or fire fighter, whether paid or volunteer, who knows that the person against whom the assault is committed is a peace officer, health care provider, or fire fighter, and who causes bodily injury or ~~disabling~~ mental illness, is guilty of an aggravated misdemeanor.

Approved March 31, 1998

CHAPTER 1027VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER PROGRAM — INCLUSION OF
DENTAL AND CERTAIN MEDICAL SERVICES

H.F. 2340

AN ACT relating to the inclusion of dentists and certain other medical specialists in the volunteer health care provider program.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 135.24, subsection 1, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

1. The director shall establish within the department a program to provide to eligible hospitals, clinics, or other health care facilities, health care referral programs, or charitable organizations, free medical and dental services given on a voluntary basis by health care providers. A participating health care provider shall register with the department and obtain from the department a list of eligible, participating hospitals, clinics, or other health care facilities, health care referral programs, or charitable organizations.

Sec. 2. Section 135.24, subsection 2, paragraphs a and b, Code 1997, are amended to read as follows:

a. Procedures for registration of health care providers deemed qualified by the board of medical examiners, the board of physician assistant examiners, the board of dental examiners, and the board of nursing.

b. Criteria for and identification of hospitals, clinics, or other health care facilities, health care referral programs, or charitable organizations, eligible to participate in the provision of free medical or dental services through the volunteer health care provider program. A health

care facility, a health care referral program, a charitable organization, or a health care provider participating in the program shall not bill or charge a patient for any health care provider service provided under the volunteer health care provider program.

Sec. 3. Section 135.24, subsection 2, Code 1997, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. c. Identification of the medical services to be provided under the program. The medical services provided shall include obstetrical and gynecological medical services.

Sec. 4. Section 135.24, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

b. Provided medical or dental services through a hospital, clinic, or other health care facility, health care referral program, or charitable organization listed as eligible and participating by the department pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 5. Section 135.24, subsection 4, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

4. For the purposes of this section, "charitable organization" means a charitable organization within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code which has as its primary purpose the sponsorship or support of programs designed to improve the quality, awareness, and availability of medical or dental services to children and to serve as a funding mechanism for provision of medical or dental services, including but not limited to immunizations, to children in this state.

Sec. 6. Section 135.24, subsection 5, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

5. For the purposes of this section, "health care provider" means a physician licensed under chapter 148, 150, or 150A, a physician assistant licensed and practicing under a supervising physician pursuant to chapter 148C, a licensed practical nurse, ~~or~~ a registered nurse, or a dentist licensed to practice under chapter 153.

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CHAPTER 1028

MOTOR VEHICLES EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION FEES — DISTINGUISHING REGISTRATION PLATES EXEMPTION

H.F. 2353

AN ACT relating to exemptions from distinguishing registration plates for motor vehicles.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 321.19, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code Supplement 1997, is amended to read as follows:

The department shall furnish, on application, free of charge, distinguishing plates for vehicles thus exempted, which plates except plates on Iowa highway safety patrol vehicles shall bear the word "official" and the department shall keep a separate record. Registration plates issued for Iowa highway safety patrol vehicles, except unmarked patrol vehicles, shall bear two red stars on a yellow background, one before and one following the registration number on the plate, which registration number shall be the officer's badge number. Registration plates issued for a county sheriff's patrol vehicles shall display one seven-pointed