

CHAPTER 69

DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE REPORTS — DISPOSITION OF REPORTS OF MINOR ACTS OR OMISSIONS

H.F. 304

AN ACT relating to reports of personal degradation by caretakers of dependent adults in facilities and programs regulated by the department of inspections and appeals.

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

Section 1. [Section 235E.2, subsection 1](#), paragraph c, Code 2019, is amended to read as follows:

c. A report of dependent adult abuse that meets the definition of dependent adult abuse under [section 235E.1, subsection 5](#), paragraph “a”, subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a) or (d), or [section 235E.1, subsection 5](#), paragraph “a”, subparagraph (3), which the department determines is minor, isolated, and unlikely to reoccur shall be collected and maintained by the department of human services as an assessment only for a five-year period and shall not be included in the central registry and shall not be considered to be founded dependent adult abuse. A subsequent report of dependent adult abuse that meets the definition of dependent adult abuse under [section 235E.1, subsection 5](#), paragraph “a”, subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a) or (d), or [section 235E.1, subsection 5](#), paragraph “a”, subparagraph (3), that occurs within the five-year period, and that is committed by the caretaker responsible for the act or omission which was the subject of the previous report of dependent adult abuse which the department determined was minor, isolated, and unlikely to reoccur, may be considered minor, isolated, and unlikely to reoccur depending on the circumstances of the report.

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