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351—9.6(68B) Whistle-blower protection. A person who discharges or discriminates against an employee because the employee filed a complaint, provided information to the board for a possible board-initiated investigation, or provided information during the course of a board investigation shall be subject to the board's complaint process if the employee filed the complaint or provided the information in good faith. If it is determined after a contested case proceeding that a person has impermissibly discharged or discriminated against an employee, the board may impose sanctions as set out in Iowa Code section 68B.32D.

For purposes of this rule, "good faith" means that any statements or materials in a complaint, in information provided to the board for a possible board-initiated investigation, or provided in information during the course of a board investigation were made or provided with a reasonable belief that such statements or materials were true and accurate.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 68B.32A(14) and 68B.32B. [Editorial change: IAC Supplement 4/8/09]