

STATE OF IOWA
KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR

April 18, 2025

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 309, an Act relating to the review by the department of inspections, appeals,
and licensing of certain deficient practices by nursing facilities.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

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Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House



House File 309

AN ACT

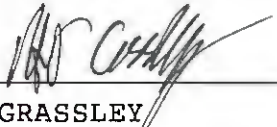
RELATING TO THE REVIEW BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONS,
APPEALS, AND LICENSING OF CERTAIN DEFICIENT PRACTICES BY
NURSING FACILITIES.

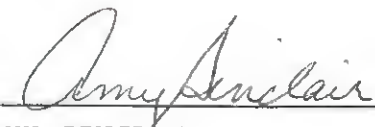
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 135C.40, subsection 1, paragraph d,
subparagraph (1), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

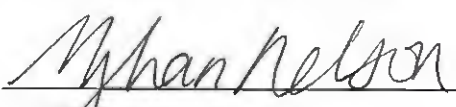
(1) The department shall establish and maintain a
process to review each deficient practice identified by the
department for which a citation may be issued to a nursing
facility for immediate jeopardy or substandard quality of care
prior to issuance of final findings under section 135C.40A.
Representatives of the nursing facility ~~issued such a citation~~
may participate in the review to provide context ~~and or~~
evidence for the department to consider in determining if a
final finding of immediate jeopardy or substandard quality of

care should be issued. The review shall ensure consistent and accurate application of federal and state inspection protocols and defined regulatory standards.

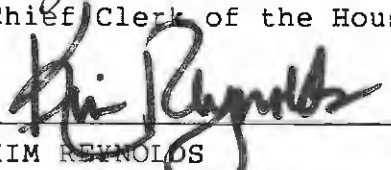

PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House


AMY SINCLAIR
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 309, Ninety-first General Assembly.


MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 18th, 2025


KIM REYNOLDS
Governor