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HUMAN RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 2120
BY MURPHY

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the establishment of a state agency work group
2 to develop an interstate prescription drug purchasing
3 cooperative.

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

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1 Section 1. INTERSTATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PURCHASING
2 COOPERATIVE -- AGENCY WORK GROUP -- REPORT.

3 1. The Iowa department of public health, in cooperation
4 with the department of human services, the department of elder
5 affairs, the department of management, and the department of
6 personnel, shall convene a work group to determine the
7 feasibility of establishing an interstate prescription drug
8 purchasing cooperative with other midwestern states.

9 2. The work group shall pursue the development of an
10 interstate prescription drug purchasing cooperative through a
11 minimum of the following means:

12 a. Utilizing regional and national entities such as the
13 council of state governments, the national conference of state
14 legislatures, and others in establishing contact with the
15 governors and legislative leaders of other midwestern states.

16 b. Contacting the governors and legislative leaders of
17 other states with existing interstate cooperatives, including
18 the states participating in the tri-state coalition and the
19 northeast legislative association on prescription drug prices.

20 3. The work group shall submit a report of its findings
21 and recommendations regarding the establishment of an
22 interstate prescription drug purchasing cooperative to the
23 governor and the general assembly no later than December 15,
24 2002.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill directs the Iowa department of public health, in
27 cooperation with the department of human services, the
28 department of elder affairs, the department of management, and
29 the department of personnel, to convene a work group to
30 determine the feasibility of establishing an interstate
31 prescription drug purchasing cooperative with other midwestern
32 states. The bill directs the work group to pursue the
33 development of an interstate prescription drug purchasing
34 cooperative through utilization of regional and national
35 entities such as the council of state governments and the

1 national conference of state legislatures and by contacting
2 the governors and legislative leaders of other states with
3 existing interstate purchasing cooperatives. The bill directs
4 the work group to submit a report of its findings and
5 recommendations regarding the establishment of an interstate
6 prescription drug purchasing cooperative to the governor and
7 the general assembly by no later than December 15, 2002.

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