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HOUSE FILE 2192  
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2120)

Passed House, Date 2-12-02 (p. 306) Passed Senate, Date 3-18-02 (p. 665)  
Vote: Ayes 97 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 0  
Approved 5/11/02

Re-Passed 3-26-02  
Vote 93-0

Re Passed 4-12-02  
Vote 43-0

Re Passed 4-11-02 A BILL FOR  
Vote 93-0 (p. 1413)

(p. 1164)

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:

HOUSE FILE 2192

H-8036

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2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 20 through 22, and  
3 inserting the following:  
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5 reports of its findings and recommendations regarding  
6 the establishment of an interstate prescription drug  
7 purchasing cooperative to the oversight committee of  
8 the legislative council. The work group shall also  
9 submit a final report of its findings and  
10 recommendations to the".

By HOVERSTEN of Woodbury

H-8036 FILED FEBRUARY 6, 2002  
Adopted 2/12/02 (p. 305)

House Conf. Comm. 4/3/02  
cl Boddicker  
Hoversten  
Boal  
Ostendorp  
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Senate Conf. Comm. 4/3/02 (p. 951)  
cl Jansman  
Schuerer  
Harper  
Miller  
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HF 2192

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

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19 northeast legislative association on prescription drug prices.

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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  
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33 development of an interstate prescription drug purchasing  
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# Legislative Fiscal Bureau

## Fiscal Note

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HF 2192 - Regional Pharmacy Cooperative (LSB 6240 HV)  
Analyst: Russ Trimble (Phone: (515) 281-4613) (Russ.Trimble@legis.state.ia.us)  
Fiscal Note Version - New  
Requested by Representative Greg Hoversten

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### **Description**

House File 2192 directs the Department of Public Health, in cooperation with the Departments of Human Services, Elder Affairs, Management, and Personnel, to convene a workgroup to determine the feasibility of establishing an interstate prescription drug purchasing cooperative.

### **Assumptions**

1. The Department of Public Health as lead agency would require 0.5 FTE position for clerical staff for six months at a cost of \$16,000. The Departments of Human Services, Elder Affairs, Management, and Personnel would require no additional staff.
2. The Department would require \$1,700 for supplies associated with the project.
3. The proposed legislation does not specify how the work group is to accomplish its task. If the work group would need to travel in order to accomplish the mission of the proposed legislation, one or two members would be sent on each trip at an average cost of \$1,200 per trip. The Department estimates that six trips would be made. Costs would be incurred by the Department of Public Health as the lead agency.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The FY 2003 General Fund cost of House File 2192 would be approximately \$18,000. If travel is required, the FY 2003 General Fund cost would be approximately \$25,000.

### **Sources**

Department of Public Health  
Department of Elder Affairs  
Department of Management  
Department of Personnel  
Department of Human Services

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/s/ Dennis C Prouty

February 6, 2002

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The fiscal note and correctional impact statement for this bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and pursuant to Section 2.56, Code of Iowa. Data used in developing this fiscal note and correctional impact statement are available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

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HOUSE FILE 2192

BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2120)

(As Amended and Passed by the House February 12, 2002)

Passed House, <sup>(p. 973)</sup> Date 3-26-02 Passed Senate, <sup>(p. 665)</sup> Date 3/18/02  
Vote: Ayes 93 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 0  
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House Amendments \_\_\_\_\_

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## HOUSE FILE 2192

## S-5155

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2 reprinted by the House, as follows:  
3 1. Page 1, line 2, by striking the words "AGENCY  
4 WORK GROUP" and inserting the following: "TASK  
5 FORCE".  
6 2. Page 1, by striking lines 3 through 8, and  
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10 establishing an interstate prescription drug  
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13 following members:  
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17 director's designee.  
18 c. The director of the department of elder  
19 affairs, or the director's designee.  
20 d. The director of the department of management,  
21 or the director's designee.  
22 e. The director of the department of personnel, or  
23 the director's designee.  
24 f. The chairperson of the board of pharmacy  
25 examiners, or the chairperson's designee.  
26 g. The chairperson of the board of medical  
27 examiners, or the chairperson's designee.  
28 h. One person who is a representative of the  
29 pharmaceutical manufacturers, selected by the  
30 pharmaceutical research and manufacturers of America.  
31 i. Four members of the general assembly.  
32 3. a. The legislative members of the task force  
33 shall be appointed by the majority leader of the  
34 senate, after consultation with the president of the  
35 senate and the minority leader of the senate, and by  
36 the speaker of the house, after consultation with the  
37 majority leader and the minority leader of the house  
38 of representatives. The legislative appointments  
39 shall comply with sections 69.16 and 69.16A.  
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41 the original appointing authority and in the manner of  
42 the original appointments.  
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44 majority of the members of the task force shall  
45 constitute a quorum. A majority vote of those members  
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48 department of human services shall cooperate in  
49 providing staffing for the task force."  
50 3. Page 1, line 9, by striking the words "work

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1 group" and inserting the following: "task force".  
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11 of state-funded pharmaceutical care, including but not  
12 limited to the federation of Iowa insurers, the Iowa  
13 pharmacy association, and the pharmaceutical research  
14 and manufacturers of America."  
15 6. Page 1, line 20, by striking the words "work  
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17 7. Page 1, line 24, by striking the words "work  
18 group" and inserting the following: "task force".  
19 8. Title page, line 1, by striking the words  
20 "state agency work group" and inserting the following:  
21 "task force".  
22 9. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting  
23 internal references as necessary.

**By** COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES  
JOHN REDWINE, CHAIRPERSON

**S-5155** FILED MARCH 13, 2002

*Adapted*  
*3/18/02*  
*(p 664)*

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENT TO  
HOUSE FILE 2192

S-5255

1 Amend the Senate amendment, H-8326, to House File  
2 2192, as amended, passed, and reprinted by the House,  
3 as follows:

4 1. Page 1, by striking lines 28 through 30, and  
5 inserting the following:

6 "\_\_\_\_. One person who is a representative of the  
7 Iowa pharmacy association, selected by the Iowa  
8 pharmacy association.

9 \_\_\_\_\_. One person who is a representative of the  
10 Iowa medical society, selected by the Iowa medical  
11 society."

12 2. Page 2, by striking lines 9 through 14, and  
13 inserting the following:

14 ""c. Contacting the governors and legislative  
15 leaders of other states and other appropriate  
16 individuals and groups interested or involved in  
17 interstate prescription drug purchasing  
18 cooperatives.""

19 3. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting  
20 internal references as necessary.

RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE

S-5255 FILED MARCH 26, 2002

*Senate Refused*  
4-1-02  
(P. 875)

*House Insists*  
4/3/02  
(P. 1146)

## SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 2192

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2 reprinted by the House, as follows:

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20 d. The director of the department of management,  
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22 e. The director of the department of personnel, or  
23 the director's designee.

24 f. The chairperson of the board of pharmacy  
25 examiners, or the chairperson's designee.

26 g. The chairperson of the board of medical  
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29 pharmaceutical manufacturers, selected by the  
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32 3. a. The legislative members of the task force  
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- 22 9. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting
- 23 internal references as necessary.

RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

H-8326 FILED MARCH 19, 2002

*House Concurred 3/26/02 (P. 972)***HOUSE FILE 2192****H-8434**

- 1 Amend the Senate amendment, H-8326, to House File
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- 17 interstate prescription drug purchasing
- 18 cooperatives.""
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- 20 internal references as necessary.

By OSTERHAUS of Jackson

H-8434 FILED MARCH 26, 2002

*adopted 3/26/02 (P. 973)*

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
ON HOUSE FILE 2192

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate:

We, the undersigned members of the conference committee appointed to resolve the differences between the House of Representatives and the Senate on House File 2192, an Act relating to the establishment of a state agency work group to develop an interstate prescription drug purchasing cooperative, respectfully make the following report:

1. That the House recedes from its amendment, S-5255.
2. That the Senate recedes from its amendment, H-8326.
3. That House File 2192, as amended, passed, and reprinted by the House, is amended as follows:

1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

"Section 1. INTERSTATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PURCHASING COOPERATIVE -- TASK FORCE -- REPORT.

1. The Iowa department of public health shall convene a task force to determine the feasibility of establishing an interstate prescription drug purchasing cooperative with other midwestern states.

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f. Four members of the general assembly.

3. a. The legislative members of the task force shall be appointed by the majority leader of the senate, after consultation with the president of the senate and the minority leader of the senate, and by the speaker of the house of representatives, after consultation with the majority leader and the minority leader of the house of representatives. The legislative appointments shall comply with sections 69.16 and 69.16A.

b. Vacancies on the task force shall be filled by the original appointing authority and in the manner of the original appointments.

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5. All of the following shall act as advisors to the task force:

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2. Title page, line 1, by striking the words "state

agency work group" and inserting the following: "task force".

**ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE:**

DAN BODDICKER, Chairperson  
CARMINE BOAL  
GREG HOVERSTEN  
ROBERT OSTERHAUS  
MARK SMITH

**ON THE PART OF THE SENATE:**

MAGGIE TINSMAN, Chairperson  
PATRICIA HARPER  
DAVID MILLER  
NEAL SCHUERER  
MARK SHEARER

CCR 2192      FILED APRIL 11, 2002

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ON HOUSE FILE 2192

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the  
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We, the undersigned members of the conference committee  
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MARK SMITH

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MAGGIE TINSMAN, Chairperson  
PATRICIA HARPER  
DAVID MILLER  
NEAL SCHUERER  
MARK SHEARER

**CCR 2192** FILED APRIL 10, 2002

*Adopted  
4-11-02  
(P. 1401)*

*Adopted  
4-11-02  
(P. 1412)*

HOUSE FILE 2192

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP AN  
INTERSTATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PURCHASING COOPERATIVE.

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BRENT SIEGRIST  
Speaker of the House

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MARY E. KRAMER  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2192, Seventy-ninth General Assembly.

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MARGARET THOMSON  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 5/11, 2002

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THOMAS J. VILSACK  
Governor