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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the testing of certain herds for pseudorabies  
2 infection.

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

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SF 293  
AGRICULTURE

1 Section 1. Section 166D.7, subsection 2, paragraph b,  
2 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2001, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 In order to remain certified the herd must be retested and  
5 recertified as provided by the department. ~~The herd must be~~  
6 ~~recertified annually.~~ The herd shall be recertified when a  
7 statistical sampling of the herd is determined to be  
8 noninfected within. The statistical sampling shall be  
9 conducted at intervals of twelve months from initial  
10 certification or the most recent recertification, unless the  
11 department determines that a herd is located within an area  
12 where a high incidence of infection requires that statistical  
13 sampling occur more frequently.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill amends Code chapter 166D, which authorizes the  
16 department of agriculture and land stewardship to regulate  
17 pseudorabies, a disease affecting swine. In 2000, the general  
18 assembly enacted SF 2312 (2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1110) that  
19 substantially revised the chapter. On July 26, 2000, the  
20 department filed rules amending a number of its regulations,  
21 including provisions affecting certification requirements for  
22 certain noninfected herds referred to as "monitored", by  
23 reducing the amount of time between testing, conducted by  
24 statistical sampling. The interval for testing was reduced  
25 from every 12 months to every six months (see Iowa  
26 Administrative Code 21-64.156).

27 The bill amends Code section 166D.7, which provides for the  
28 certification of noninfected herds as monitored herds. The  
29 bill provides that in order to be certified as a monitored  
30 herd, the statistical sampling must be conducted at 12-month  
31 intervals, unless the department determines that a herd is  
32 located within an area where a high incidence of infection  
33 requires that statistical sampling occur more frequently.

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