

HUMAN RESOURCES
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the development of a plan to provide
2 alternative housing to elders who are victims of abuse.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 231.61 ALTERNATIVE HOUSING --
2 ELDER VICTIMS OF ABUSE.

3 1. The department shall develop a plan to provide
4 alternative housing to elders who are victims of abuse and
5 must be removed from the elder's residence in order to ensure
6 the safety of the elder. The department shall work with the
7 Iowa finance authority, created pursuant to chapter 16, with
8 municipal housing agencies created pursuant to section 403A.5,
9 and with other persons interested in providing affordable
10 housing to determine alternative housing options for elders
11 who are victims of abuse. The department shall submit an
12 initial plan to the general assembly and to the governor by
13 November 1, 2001, and shall submit an updated plan annually on
14 or before November 1. The plan submitted shall include an
15 estimate of state funding necessary to provide the alternative
16 housing identified in the plan.

17 2. For the purposes of this section, "elders who are
18 victims of abuse" includes elder victims of dependent adult
19 abuse as defined in section 235B.2, elder victims of domestic
20 abuse as defined in section 236.2, elder victims of wanton
21 neglect of a resident of a health care facility pursuant to
22 section 726.7, and elder victims of wanton neglect or
23 nonsupport of a dependent adult pursuant to section 726.8.

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill directs the department of elder affairs to
26 develop a plan to provide housing to elders who are victims of
27 abuse. The bill directs the department to work with the Iowa
28 finance authority, municipal housing agencies, and others who
29 are interested in providing affordable housing to develop the
30 plan. The plan is to be submitted, initially, to the general
31 assembly and the governor by November 1, 2001, and is to be
32 updated and submitted annually on November 1. The bill
33 defines elders who are victims of abuse for the purposes of
34 the bill.

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