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HOUSE FILE 2361
BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
REGULATION AND LABOR

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 542)

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Approved April 26, 2006

A BILL FOR

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2 state building code for new single-family or two-family
3 residential construction.

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

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18 conservation. The minimum standard requirements shall only
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22 subdivision from adopting or enacting a minimum energy
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SENATE/HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC SAFETY BILL)

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CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS
Speaker of the House

JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
is known as House File 2361, Eighty-first General Assembly.

MARGARET THOMSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _____, 2006

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Governor