

## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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### University of Iowa Health Care

- This bill requires the University of Iowa medical school and dental school to have at least 80% of their students be residents of Iowa, as well as priority admission to residents of Iowa who apply to these programs. This bill also requires specific questions regarding upbringing and intent to practice in Iowa by applicants for these programs as well as residency programs at UIHC. This bill requires an annual report by UI regarding the same schools and UIHC medical residencies demographic information.
- This bill requires the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics to offer an interview for the medical residencies of some of the most-needed specialties in Iowa to those with an Iowa connection.
- This bill codifies requirements that were placed into session law in 2019 in House File 532. Additionally, it adds fellowships to the requirement that UIHC prioritize Iowans.
  - Requires medical residencies at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinic to give priority to applicants that have an Iowa connection (resident of Iowa, went to undergrad in Iowa, or medical school in Iowa).
  - Requires primary care residencies (family medicine, OB, psych, and internal medicine) at UIHC to provide the opportunity to participate in a rural rotation to expose those medical residents to rural areas of Iowa.
- **Fiscal Note:** Reduce revenue to UI colleges of medicine and dentistry by \$529,000 in FY27, \$1.1 million in FY28, \$1.7 million in FY29, and \$2.3 million in FY30 based on less nonresident tuition.

### Section by Section Analysis

#### Section 1 (Iowa Code 262.9)

Requires the Board of Regents to adopt a policy that requires at least 80% of the University of Iowa Medical School and Dental School be residents of Iowa or enrolled in an Iowa college prior to acceptance. Also requires priority for admission to residents of Iowa who apply.

Requires specific questions to be asked for applicants to these schools regarding where they attended high school, family members that reside in Iowa, college location, rural community upbringing, and whether they intend to practice in Iowa after graduation.

Requires UI to provide an annual report to the legislature regarding residency of medical school and dental school admissions, as well as residency programs. This report will include a reason for denial of Iowa applicants without personal identifying information.

This section defines “resident of Iowa” as:

- An individual who graduated from an Iowa high school
- An individual who has lived in Iowa for at least 4 consecutive years prior to admission to the UI program (this was revised to be when classes start in the standings bill, SF659).

Section 2 (Iowa Code 263.2)

Requires the University of Iowa to submit an annual report to the legislature with the following:

- Information on the state of residence of each graduate of the medical school and dental school in the year immediately following graduation, with a breakdown on prior to acceptance state of residence
- Information on UIHC medical residents and where they reside the year following their medical residency and whether they are in a fellowship program. The information should be broken down based on the original residency of the medical resident, specialty, and where they completed undergraduate and medical school.

Section 3 (Iowa Code 263.6) – New Section

Requires UIHC to give priority to medical residency and fellow applicants who are residents of Iowa, attended an undergraduate degree from an Iowa college or university, or attended and earned a medical degree for a medical school in Iowa.

This section also requires UIHC to offer the opportunity to participate in a rural rotation to expose their primary care residents, including psychiatry residents, to rural areas of Iowa.

Section 4 – Medical Residency Positions – Applicants Meeting Certain Criteria – Annual Report

This section requires the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics to offer an interview for the medical residencies of some of the most-needed specialties (OB/GYN, psychiatry, general surgery, cardiology, neurology, emergency medicine, and primary care) to those with an Iowa connection (resident of Iowa, earned an undergraduate degree in Iowa, or earned a medical degree from a medical school located in Iowa).

Additionally, this legislation requires UIHC to submit an annual report that provides information on those students that interview and whether they were offered a residency position.