



HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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Certified Medication Aid

- This bill allows for certified medication aids to work in Iowa in institutional facilities without having to take an additional exam and creates a CMA registry to allow persons to submit proof of successful completion of DIAL approved CMA exams.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 (Iowa Code 135C.34)

Strikes the need for an exam when a CMA was certified in another state. Requires DIAL to create a CMA registry to allow persons to submit proof of successful completion of DIAL approved CMA exams. Prohibits DIAL from charging a fee.

Section 2 (Iowa Code 135C.34A) – New Section

Requires DIAL to adopt rules governing properly trained persons charged with administering medications at RCFs, NFs, RCFs, ICFs. The rules shall include:

- allowing community colleges to administer the exams
- allow for a DIAL approved medication aid challenge exam to be in place of taking a medication aide course
- Allow out-of-state certified CMAs to come to Iowa without taking the exam

Section 3 – Administrative Rules

Rescinds specific administrative rules