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SUBMITTED BY: Sen. Betsy Close

Thank you Chair Monnes-Anderson and members of the Health Care & Human Services Committee. I am Senator Betsy Close. I am sponsoring this bill on behalf of Commissioner John Lindsey of Linn County.

Colleagues, we have over the years, been developing a system of community care in our 36 counties. SB 506 is needed to fulfill the important obligation in our counties to notify our local law enforcement of the licensing and location of secure residential treatment homes in the county area. (Some counties do, some do not.)

We also desire that our county mental health authority has a list of residents who are in the county but under the jurisdiction of the Psychiatric Security Review Board. The zoning portion of the bill is needed to make these notifications possible, as I understand it.

Thank you for your consideration of SB 506.