

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. A person shall not be appointed, promoted, dis-
 4 charged, or demoted to or from a civil service position or in any other
 5 way favored or discriminated against in that position because of politi-
 6 cal or religious opinions or affiliations, race, national origin, sex, or
 7 age.

1 SEC. 6. Section four hundred point twenty-nine (400.29), Code 1975,
 2 is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the fol-
 3 lowing:

4 **400.29 Campaign contributions.**

5 1. A person holding a civil service position shall not, while perform-
 6 ing official duties or while using city equipment at the person's dispos-
 7 al by reason of the position, solicit in any manner contribution for any
 8 political party or candidate or engage in any political activity during
 9 working hours that impairs the efficiency of the position or presence
 10 during the working hours. A person shall not seek or attempt to use
 11 any political endorsement in connection with any appointment to a
 12 civil service position.

13 2. A person holding a civil service position shall not, by the authori-
 14 ty of the position, secure or attempt to secure in any manner for any
 15 other person an appointment or advantage in appointment to a civil
 16 service position or an increase in pay or other advantage of employ-
 17 ment in any such position for the purpose of influencing the vote or
 18 political action of that person or for any other consideration.

19 3. A person who in any manner supervises a person holding a civil
 20 service position shall not directly or indirectly solicit the person super-
 21 vised to contribute money, anything of value, or service to a candidate
 22 seeking election, or a political party or candidate's political committee.

23 4. A civil service employee who becomes a candidate for any elective
 24 public office shall, upon request of the employee and commencing any
 25 time within thirty days prior to a primary, special, or general election
 26 and continuing until after this thirty day period, automatically be giv-
 27 en a leave of absence without pay. An employee who is a candidate for
 28 any elective public office shall not campaign while on duty as an em-
 29 ployee.

30 5. This section shall not be construed to prohibit any employee or
 31 group of employees, individually or collectively, from expressing hon-
 32 est opinions and convictions, or making statements and comments con-
 33 cerning their wages or other conditions of their employment.

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CHAPTER 201

LOW-RENT HOUSING

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AN ACT relating to eligibility for low-rent housing.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section four hundred three A point two (403A.2), subsec-
 2 tion nine (9), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 9. "Housing project" or "project" means any work or undertaking:
 4 (a) to demolish, clear or remove buildings from any slum areas; or (b)

5 to provide decent, safe and sanitary urban or rural dwellings, apart-
 6 ments or other living accommodations for ~~persons of low income fami-~~
 7 *lies of low income, lower-income families, or very low-income*
 8 *families*; or (c) to accomplish a combination of the foregoing. Such
 9 work or undertaking may include buildings, land, equipment, facilities
 10 and other real or personal property for necessary, convenient or desir-
 11 able appurtenances, streets, sewers, water service, utilities, parks, site
 12 preparation, landscaping, administrative, community, health, recre-
 13 ational, welfare or other purposes. The term "housing project" or
 14 "project" also may be applied to the planning of the buildings and im-
 15 provements, the acquisition of property, the demolition of existing
 16 structures, the construction, reconstruction, alteration or repair of the
 17 improvements and all other work in connection therewith, and the
 18 term shall include all other real and personal property and all tangible
 19 or intangible assets held or used in connection with the housing proj-
 20 ect.

1 SEC. 2. Section four hundred three A point two (403A.2), Code
 2 1975, is amended by striking subsection ten (10) and inserting in lieu
 3 thereof the following:

4 10. a. "Families of low income" means families who cannot afford
 5 to pay enough to cause private enterprise in their locality or metropol-
 6 itan area to build an adequate supply of decent, safe and sanitary
 7 dwellings for their use.

8 b. "Lower-income families" means families whose incomes do not ex-
 9 ceed eighty percent of the median income for the area with adjust-
 10 ments for the size of the family or other adjustments necessary due to
 11 unusual prevailing conditions in the area.

12 c. "Very low-income families" means families whose incomes do not
 13 exceed fifty percent of the median income for the area with adjust-
 14 ments for the size of the family or other adjustments necessary due to
 15 unusual prevailing conditions in the area.

16 d. "Families" includes, but is not limited to, families consisting of a
 17 single person in the case of any of the following:

18 (1) A person who is at least sixty-two years of age.

19 (2) A person who is under a disability.

20 (3) A person who is handicapped.

21 (4) A displaced person.

22 (5) The remaining member of a tenant family.

23 e. "Families" includes two or more persons living together, who are
 24 at least sixty-two years of age, are under a disability or are handi-
 25 capped, or one or more such individuals living with another person
 26 who is essential to such individual's care or well-being.

27 f. "Disability" means inability to engage in any substantial gainful
 28 activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental
 29 impairment.

30 g. "Handicapped" means having a physical or mental impairment
 31 which is expected to be of long-continued and indefinite duration, sub-
 32 stantially impedes the ability to live independently, and is of a nature
 33 that the ability to live independently could be improved by more suit-
 34 able housing conditions.

35 h. "Displaced" means displaced by governmental action, or having
 36 one's dwelling extensively damaged or destroyed as a result of a disas-
 37 ter.

38 i. The municipality, by resolution, or the agency by rule shall estab-
 39 lish further definitions applicable to this subsection as necessary to as-
 40 sure eligibility for funds available under federal housing laws.

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