CHAPTER 1028

AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

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AN ACT relating to the designation of area agencies on aging, and including effective date provisions.

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

Section 1. Section 231.32, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2011, are amended to read as follows:

- 1. The commission shall designate thirteen area agencies on aging, the same of which existed on July 1, 1985 an area agency on aging for each planning and service area. The commission shall continue the designation until an area agency on aging's designation is removed for cause as determined by the commission or, until the agency voluntarily withdraws as an area agency on aging, or until a change in the designation of planning and service areas or area agencies on aging is required by state or federal law. In that event, the commission shall proceed in accordance with subsections 2, 3, and 4. Designated area agencies on aging shall comply with the requirements of the federal Act.
- 2. The commission shall designate an area agency to serve each planning and service area, after consideration of the views offered by units of general purpose local government. An area agency may be:
- a. An established office of aging which is operating within a planning and service area designated by the commission.
- b. Any office or agency of a unit of general purpose local government, which is designated to function only for the purpose of serving as an area agency on aging by the chief elected official of such unit.
- c. Any office or agency designated by the appropriate chief elected officials of any combination of units of general purpose local government to act <u>only</u> on behalf of the <u>such</u> combination for such purpose.
- d. Any public or nonprofit private agency in a planning and service area or any separate organizational unit within such agency which is under the supervision or direction for this purpose of the department on aging and which can <u>and will</u> engage <u>only</u> in the planning or provision of a broad range of supportive services or nutrition services within the planning and service area.
- Sec. 2. REVOKING OF DESIGNATION AND DESIGNATION OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING. Based upon the plan for reduction in the number of area agencies on aging submitted pursuant to 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 122, section 20, and pursuant to procedures established by the department on aging in accordance with the federal Older Americans Act, the commission on aging shall revoke the designation of the existing area agencies on aging and designate a new area agency on aging to represent each planning and service area effective no later than July 1, 2013.
- Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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