CHAPTER 79

BOARD OF PAROLE — ALTERNATE MEMBERS H.F. 538

AN ACT authorizing alternate members of the board of parole.

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

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 904A.2A Board of parole — alternate members.

- 1. The board of parole shall have a pool of three alternate members to substitute for board members who are disqualified or become unavailable for any other reason for hearings. The pool of alternate members shall be deemed a separate appointive board for purposes of complying with the requirements of sections 69.16 and 69.16A. Each alternate member shall serve a term of four years beginning and ending as provided by section 69.19, except for alternate members appointed to fill vacancies who shall serve for the balance of the unexpired term.
- 2. A person who serves as an alternate member may later be appointed to the board and may serve four years, in accordance with section 904A.1. A former board of parole member may serve in the pool of alternate members.
- 3. When a sufficient number of board of parole members are unavailable to hear a case, the board of parole may request alternate members to serve.
 - 4. Notwithstanding section 904A.1:
- *a*. An alternate member is deemed a member of the board of parole only for the hearing panel for which the alternate member serves.
- b. At least one member of a hearing panel containing alternate members shall be a member of the board.
- c. A decision of a hearing panel containing alternate members is considered a final decision of the board.
- 5. An alternate member shall not receive compensation in excess of that authorized by law for a board of parole member who is not the chairperson or vice chairperson of the board of parole.
 - Sec. 2. Section 904A.3, Code 2013, is amended to read as follows:

904A.3 Appointment to board of parole.

The governor shall appoint the chairperson and other members of the board of parole, including alternate members, subject to confirmation by the senate. The chairperson shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as regular appointments are made.

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