

**Senate File 225 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the determination of city population for  
2 purposes of civil service commissions.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 400.1, subsection 2, Code 2013, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. For the purpose of determining the population of a city  
4 under this chapter, the most recent decennial federal census  
5 ~~conducted in 1980~~ shall be used.

6 Sec. 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection  
7 3, shall not apply to this Act.

8 EXPLANATION

9 Code section 400.1 currently requires a city having a  
10 population of 8,000 or more according to the federal census  
11 conducted in 1980 and having a paid fire department or a paid  
12 police department, to appoint a civil service commission. Code  
13 chapter 400 also establishes several other powers and duties of  
14 cities based on population as determined by the federal census  
15 conducted in 1980.

16 This bill requires the most recent decennial federal census  
17 to be used in determining the population of a city.

18 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code  
19 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section 25B.2,  
20 subsection 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from  
21 complying with a state mandate if funding for the cost of  
22 the state mandate is not provided or specified. Therefore,  
23 political subdivisions are required to comply with any state  
24 mandate included in the bill.