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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the duties of the office for planning
 2 and programming.
 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Chapter 7, Code 1981, is amended by adding
2 sections 2 through 4 of this Act.

3 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. GOVERNOR'S YOUTH CORPS ESTABLISHED.
4 A governor's youth corps is established in this state. The
5 objectives of the youth corps are to provide meaningful and
6 productive public service jobs for youth, assist youth in
7 securing unsubsidized employment, and develop opportunities
8 for youth to engage in volunteer community service activities.
9 The general assembly intends that participation in the youth
10 corps will provide youth with an opportunity to explore
11 careers, gain needed work experience, and contribute to the
12 general welfare of their communities and state. The youth
13 corps shall provide the following programs:

14 1. A public service employment program for disadvantaged
15 and handicapped youth attending school.

16 2. A summer employment program for youth of all social
17 and economic classifications.

18 3. A youth volunteer program.

19 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. ADMINISTRATION. The office for
20 planning and programming shall administer the governor's youth
21 corps and shall adopt rules governing its operation and
22 eligibility for participation. A person must be at least
23 fourteen years of age and not older than nineteen years six
24 months at the time of enrollment to receive wages or stipends
25 through the youth corps. The office for planning and
26 programming shall submit an annual report to the general
27 assembly on the governor's youth corps by January 15 of each
28 year.

29 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. EMPHASIS AND CONTRIBUTIONS. The
30 governor's youth corps shall give emphasis in its employment
31 and volunteer programs to projects related to soil
32 conservation, land management, energy savings, community
33 improvement activities, economic development, and work
34 benefiting human service programs. The office for planning
35 and programming may require participating nonprofit private

1 or public agencies operating a youth corps project to
2 contribute at least thirty-five percent of the total project
3 budget. The contribution may be in the form of cash or
4 services.

5 Sec. 5. Section 7A.3, Code 1981, is amended by striking
6 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 7A.3 PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY. The primary responsibility
8 of the office for planning and programming is to coordinate
9 the development of state and local government programs in
10 order to promote efficient and economic use of federal, state,
11 local, and private resources. To carry out this
12 responsibility, the office shall:

13 1. Provide technical and financial assistance to local
14 and regional government organizations in Iowa, analyze inter-
15 governmental relations in Iowa, and recommend policies to
16 state agencies, local governments, the governor, and the
17 general assembly.

18 2. Provide coordination of state policy planning,
19 management of interagency programs of the state, and recommend
20 policies to the governor and the general assembly.

21 3. Maintain and make available demographic and other
22 information useful for state and local planning.

23 4. Prepare and submit economic reports appraising the
24 economic condition, growth and development of the state.

25 5. Analyze the quality and quantity of services required
26 for the orderly growth of the state, taking into consideration
27 the relationship of activities, capabilities, and future plans
28 of private enterprise, the local, state and federal
29 governments, and regional units established under any state
30 or federal legislation, and make recommendatins to the governor
31 and the general assembly for the establishment and improvement
32 of such services.

33 6. Apply for, receive, administer, and use federal or
34 other funds available for achieving the purposes of this
35 chapter.

1 7. Inquire into methods of planning and program
2 development, and the conduct of affairs of state government;
3 prescribe adequate systems of records for planning and
4 programming; establish standards for effective planning and
5 programming; and exercise all other powers necessary in
6 discharging the powers and duties of this chapter.

7 8. Analyze the relationship of federal and private aid
8 programs to state and locally financed programs and make
9 recommendations to state agencies, local governments, the
10 governor, and the general assembly on means of avoiding
11 duplication of activity and of increasing efficiency.

12 9. Carry out any other duties consistent with this chapter
13 as directed by the governor or the general assembly.

14 Sec. 6. Section 103A.4, Code 1981, is amended to read
15 as follows:

16 103A.4. COMMISSIONER. ~~The director-of-the-division-of~~
17 ~~municipal-affairs,-in-the-office-for-planning-and-programming~~
18 ~~shall~~ commissioner of public safety, in addition to his other
19 duties, shall serve as the state building code commissioner;
20 or may designate a building code commissioner.

21 Sec. 7. Section 249B.19, Code 1981, is amended to read
22 as follows:

23 249B.19 ALLOCATION OF FUNDS. All funds appropriated to
24 the commission from the general fund for the elderly care
25 program shall be allocated initially to the area agencies
26 on aging on the basis of population over sixty-five years
27 of age, double-weighted for the low income population over
28 sixty-five years of age. Area agencies on aging may apply
29 for grants of funds not to exceed the amount allocated to
30 the area by this method. Area agency on aging applications
31 shall consist of grant requests from local, public and private
32 organizations recommended and ~~prioritized~~ given priority
33 ranking by the area agency to the commission based upon area
34 wide needs assessment for elderly low income Iowans and
35 compatability with the comprehensive aging plan for the area.

1 The interagency co-ordinating committee shall review the grant
2 applications of area agencies on aging and make recommendations
3 to the commission regarding the awarding of grants to area
4 agencies on aging. The commission shall have final
5 responsibility for awarding grants to the area agencies on
6 aging. The funds allocated to area agencies on the basis
7 of population and income and not granted by the commission
8 to the area agencies by December 1 and the funds granted by
9 the commission to the area agencies by December 1 which the
10 commission determines will not be expended during the fiscal
11 year shall be considered excess funds and shall be transferred
12 to a reallocation pool. The reallocation pool shall be
13 reallocated to area agencies on aging by a method recommended
14 by the interagency co-ordinating committee and approved by
15 the commission. Area agencies on aging may apply for grants
16 of funds from the reallocation pool. The interagency co-
17 ordinating committee shall review these applications and make
18 recommendations to the commission regarding the awarding of
19 reallocation grants. The commission ~~shall~~-have has final
20 authority for awarding reallocation grants. Excess funds
21 not reallocated or granted by January 31 may be transferred
22 to the ~~office-for-planning-and-programming~~ energy policy
23 council to be used to assist the low income elderly in the
24 payment of winter utility bills.

25 Sec. 8. Section 7A.7, Code 1981, is repealed.

26 Sec. 9. PRIOR ACTIONS. A rule adopted, permit or order
27 issued, or approval given under chapter 103A before the
28 effective date of this Act, by the director of the division
29 of municipal affairs or the director's designated state
30 building code commissioner, and effective immediately prior
31 to the effective date of this Act, remains effective until
32 modified or rescinded by action of the commissioner of public
33 safety or the commissioner's designated state building code
34 commissioner as provided in chapter 103A.

35 Sec. 10. TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES.

1 1. The employees of the division of municipal affairs
2 of the office for planning and programming who are employed
3 in the administration of the state building code are
4 transferred to the department of public safety. However,
5 an employee of the division of municipal affairs whose duty
6 assignment will be terminated because of section 6 of this
7 Act may be reassigned to other duties or may be transferred
8 to the department of public safety. An employee shall not
9 lose benefits, including but not limited to salary, retirement,
10 vacation, or sick leave because of reassignment or transfer
11 provided in this section.

12 2. The records, equipment, and other property used in
13 the administration of the state building code by the division
14 of municipal affairs are transferred to the department of
15 public safety.

16 Sec. 11. TRANSITION TO MERIT SYSTEM.

17 1. An employee transferred to the department of public
18 safety under section 10 of this Act who holds a position
19 covered by chapter 19A as of the effective date of this Act,
20 and who has held the position or another position covered
21 by chapter 19A for six months or more preceding the effective
22 date of this Act, shall be given permanent appointment in
23 the merit system in either of the following cases:

24 a. If the employee is certified by the director of the
25 Iowa merit employment department as having met the minimum
26 qualifications established for the classification of the
27 position held and the employee is recommended by the appointing
28 authority as having given satisfactory service during the
29 prior period of employment.

30 b. If the employee does not meet the minimum qualifications
31 established for the classification of the position held but
32 is recommended by the appointing authority as having given
33 satisfactory service during the prior period of service and
34 is certified by the director of the Iowa merit employment
35 department as having passed a qualifying examination for the

1 building code administration.

2 The bill takes effect July 1 following enactment.

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