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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to insurance for county governments by permitting  
2 a county to contract indebtedness and issue general obligation  
3 bonds to procure or provide for a policy of insurance, a self-  
4 insurance program, or a local government risk pool.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 331.301, subsection 11, Code Supplement  
2 1987, is amended to read as follows:

3 11. A county may contract indebtedness and issue essential  
4 county purpose bonds or enter into insurance agreements  
5 obligating the county to make payments beyond its current  
6 budget year to procure or provide for a policy of insurance, a  
7 self-insurance program, or a local government risk pool to  
8 protect the county against tort liability, loss of property,  
9 or any other risk associated with the operation of the county.  
10 Such a self-insurance program or local government risk pool is  
11 not insurance and is not subject to regulation under chapters  
12 505 through 523C. However, those self-insurance plans  
13 regulated pursuant to section 509A.14 shall remain subject to  
14 the requirements of section 509A.14 and rules adopted pursuant  
15 to that section.

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill, similar to authority already granted school  
18 districts, permits a county to contract indebtedness and to  
19 issue general obligation bonds for insurance, self-insurance,  
20 or risk pool participation in order to protect the county from  
21 tort liability or other risks. This provision aids the  
22 creation or participation of counties in risk pools by  
23 facilitating the creation of a reserve.

24 COMPANION TO LSB 7010H

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