

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 8.11 GRANT APPLICATIONS — MINORITY IMPACT STATEMENTS.

1. Each application for a grant from a state agency shall include a minority impact statement that contains the following information:

a. Any disproportionate or unique impact of proposed policies or programs on minority persons in this state.

b. A rationale for the existence of programs or policies having an impact on minority persons in this state.

c. Evidence of consultation of representatives of minority persons in cases where a policy or program has an identifiable impact on minority persons in this state.

2. For the purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

a. "Disability" means the same as provided in section 15.102, subsection 5, paragraph "b", subparagraph (1).

b. "Minority persons" includes individuals who are women, persons with a disability, Blacks, Latinos, Asians or Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and Alaskan Native Americans.

c. "State agency" means a department, board, bureau, commission, or other agency or authority of the state of Iowa.

3. The office of grants enterprise management shall create and distribute a minority impact statement form for state agencies and ensure its inclusion with applications for grants.

4. The directives of this section shall be carried out to the extent consistent with federal law.

5. The minority impact statement shall be used for informational purposes.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE AND APPLICABILITY DATES. This Act takes effect July 1, 2008, and shall apply to grants for which applications are due beginning January 1, 2009.

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CHAPTER 1096

IOWA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

S.F. 2133

AN ACT relating to the Iowa crop improvement association.

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

Section 1. Section 177.1, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

177.1 RECOGNITION OF ORGANIZATION.

The organization now existing in and incorporated under the laws of this state and known as the Iowa crop improvement association, shall be entitled to the benefits of this chapter by filing each year with the department of agriculture and land stewardship verified proofs of its organization and of the names of its president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer, and that five hundred persons are bona fide members of the association, together with such other information as the department of agriculture and land stewardship may require.

Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 177.1A DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Association" means the Iowa crop improvement association recognized in section 177.1.

2. "Department" means the department of agriculture and land stewardship.

Sec. 3. Section 177.2, Code 2007, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

177.2 POWERS AND PURPOSES.

The Iowa crop improvement association shall have all powers necessary to carry out the following purposes:

1. Act as the official seed certifying agency for Iowa as provided by rules adopted by the department.
2. Adopt procedures for conducting seed and plant stock certification and planting stock quality assurance, pursuant to rules adopted by the department.
3. Provide educational and leadership opportunities to influence public policy regarding crop improvement.
4. Conduct, in cooperation with Iowa state university college of agriculture, testing and disseminating information regarding the adaptation and performance of crop cultivars.
5. Coordinate all Iowa crop improvement association activities in a manner that is consistent with environmentally sound agricultural practices.
6. Provide a mechanism for commodity identity preservation.
7. Engage in such other activities that are reasonably connected to the purposes of this section.

Sec. 4. Section 177.3, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

177.3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The Iowa crop improvement association shall be governed by a board of directors.

1. The association's articles of incorporation or bylaws shall provide for all of the following:
 - a. The organization of the board, its procedures for meeting and voting, and the election of its board members and officers.
 - b. The business of the association, which shall be transacted by a as provided in this chapter.
2. The board of directors which shall consist shall include all of the following members:
 1. a. The secretary of agriculture or the secretary's designee.
 - b. The following persons representing the college of agriculture at Iowa state university:
 - (1) The director of the agricultural experiment station of the Iowa state university of science and technology.
 2. (2) The head of farm crops in the Iowa agricultural experiment station chair of the agronomy department.
 3. (3) The secretary of agriculture or the secretary's designee director of the seed science center.
4. c. Six persons who shall be elected from its membership by the association's voting shareholders from among its voting shareholders.

Sec. 5. Section 177.4, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

177.4 EMPLOYEES.

The directors Iowa crop improvement association may employ one or more competent persons who shall devote their entire time, while employed by the association, to carrying carry out the provisions of this chapter as directed by the association's board of directors. Such persons The board may employ an executive director. A person employed by the board shall receive such compensation as the directors may fix and their and necessary expenses incurred while engaged in such work the business of the association as provided by its board of directors.

Sec. 6. Section 177.5, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

177.5 EXPENSES OF OFFICERS.

The officers A member of the board of directors or officer of the Iowa crop improvement association other than the executive director appointed pursuant to section 177.4 shall serve without compensation, but shall. However, a member of the board of directors or officer may

receive their necessary expenses while engaged in the business of the association pursuant to section 7E.6, as determined by the board.

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CHAPTER 1097

IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY HOUSING PROGRAMS AND REAL ESTATE BROKER TRUST ACCOUNTS

S.F. 2136

AN ACT relating to real estate broker trust accounts and abolishing the local housing assistance program.

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

Section 1. Section 16.10, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2007, is amended to read as follows:

1. Moneys declared by the authority to be surplus moneys which are not required to service bonds and notes issued by the authority, to pay administrative expenses of the authority, or to accumulate necessary operating or loss reserves, shall be used by the authority to provide grants, subsidies, and services to lower income families and very low income families through the programs authorized in this chapter and consistent with legislative findings and guiding principles. ~~In addition, the authority may use such surplus moneys to provide assistance to the local housing assistance program established in sections 15.351 through 15.354 for purposes of providing assistance to low and moderate income families. Surplus moneys shall not be used for infrastructure or administration purposes under the local housing assistance program.~~

Sec. 2. Section 16.91, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2007, is amended to read as follows:

1. The authority through the title guaranty division shall initiate and operate a program in which the division shall offer guaranties of real property titles in this state. The terms, conditions and form of the guaranty contract shall be forms approved by the division board. The division shall fix a charge for the guaranty in an amount sufficient to permit the program to operate on a self-sustaining basis, including payment of administrative costs and the maintenance of an adequate reserve against claims under the title guaranty program. A title guaranty fund is created in the office of the treasurer of state. Funds collected under this program shall be placed in the title guaranty fund and are available to pay all claims, necessary reserves and all administrative costs of the title guaranty program. Moneys in the fund shall not revert to the general fund and interest on the moneys in the fund shall be ~~transferred to the department of economic development for deposit in the local housing assistance program fund established in section 15.354~~ deposited in the housing trust fund established in section 16.181 and shall not accrue to the general fund. If the authority board in consultation with the division board determines that there are surplus funds in the title guaranty fund after providing for adequate reserves and operating expenses of the division, the surplus funds shall be transferred to the housing assistance fund created pursuant to section 16.40.

Sec. 3. Section 543B.46, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2007, is amended to read as follows:

1. Each real estate broker shall maintain a common trust account in a bank, a savings and