

15.421 Generation Iowa commission.

1. The generation Iowa commission is established within the department for purposes of advising and assisting in the retention and attraction of the young adult population in the state in both urban and rural areas.

2. *a.* The commission shall consist of fifteen voting members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate. At the time of appointment or reappointment, a member shall be at least eighteen years of age, but less than thirty-five years of age. The voting membership shall reflect diversity within all of the following areas:

- (1) Geographic location within the state.
- (2) Public, private, and nonprofit sector employment.
- (3) Location of secondary and higher education within and outside Iowa.
- (4) Urban and rural residents.
- (5) Multicultural diversity.

b. Four members of the general assembly shall serve as nonvoting, ex officio members of the commission with two from the senate and two from the house of representatives and not more than one member from each chamber being from the same political party. The two senators shall be designated by the president of the senate after consultation with the majority and minority leaders of the senate. The two representatives shall be designated by the speaker of the house of representatives after consultation with the majority and minority leaders of the house of representatives.

3. The voting members shall be appointed in compliance with the requirements of sections 69.16, 69.16A, and 69.19, and shall serve staggered, three-year terms as designated by the governor. Members may be reappointed by the governor provided the requirements of subsection 2 are met.

4. The commission shall annually elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson from the voting members of the commission.

5. The commission shall do all of the following:

a. (1) By January 15, 2008, the commission shall submit a written report to the governor and the general assembly. The report shall include findings and recommendations of the commission regarding the status of efforts to attract and retain the young adult population in the state, career opportunities and educational needs of young adults, and the movement of the young adult population between rural areas and urban areas and between Iowa and other states. The commission shall submit an updated report to the governor and the general assembly by January 15, 2009, and by January 15 in every odd-numbered year thereafter.

(2) By January 15 in years when the report required in subparagraph (1) is not updated, the commission shall submit to the governor and the general assembly a written status report which shall include an analysis of progress made during the previous calendar year on any recommendations in the report and any available updates on data included in the report.

b. Advise and assist the department in activities designed to retain and attract the young adult population.

c. Develop and make available best practices guidelines for employers to attract and retain young adult employees.

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