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**HF 759** – Flood Insurance for Cities and Counties (LSB1727HV)  
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**Description**

**House File 759** requires Iowa counties and cities that have an effective flood insurance rate map or flood hazard boundary map published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that identifies a special flood hazard area to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program by July 30, 2013.

**Background**

The Bill requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to assist cities and counties to develop and implement floodplain management programs and to assist in obtaining flood insurance.

**Assumptions**

The DNR estimates the following costs to implement requirements of this Bill:

- The DNR estimates the cost to implement the program will be \$100,000 and 1.00 FTE position for FY 2010 through FY 2013.
- The DNR estimates the cost for support, travel, and other expenditures at \$15,000 for FY 2010 through FY 2013.
- The DNR estimates there are 128 cities with flood maps that do not participate in the National Flood Insurance Program and the Department anticipates that cities will begin the process prior to the deadline.
- The DNR will provide educational information so cities are informed of the new requirements. This includes providing ordinance templates, reviewing draft ordinances, and providing additional information.

The Iowa League of Cities estimated there would be administrative costs for obtaining flood insurance; however, the amount could not be quantified.

**Summary of Impacts**

House File 759 is estimated to increase General Fund expenditures by \$115,000 and 1.00 FTE position for FY 2010 through FY 2013.

**Sources**

Department of Natural Resources  
Iowa League of Cities

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/s/ Holly M. Lyons

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