

Kim Reynolds governor

## **OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

Adam Gregg lt governor

April 30, 2021

The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 491, an Act relating to the sale or lease of real estate by regulatory agency officials and employees to persons subject to the agency's regulatory authority, and making penalties applicable.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely, nolde Kim Reynolds Governor of Iow

cc: Secretary of the Senate Clerk of the House



House File 491

## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SALE OR LEASE OF REAL ESTATE BY REGULATORY AGENCY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE AGENCY'S REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND MAKING PENALTIES APPLICABLE.

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

Section 1. Section 68B.4, subsection 1, Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:

1. An official or employee of any regulatory agency shall not sell or lease, either directly or indirectly, any goods<u>,</u> <u>real estate</u>, or services to individuals, associations, or corporations subject to the regulatory authority of the agency of which the person is an official or employee, except when the official or employee has met all of the following conditions:

a. The consent of the regulatory agency for which the person is an official or employee is obtained and the person is not the official or employee with the authority to determine whether agency consent is to be given under this section.

b. The duties or functions performed by the official or employee for the regulatory agency are not related to the regulatory authority of the agency over the individual, association, or corporation, or the selling or leasing of goods, real estate, or services by the official or employee to the individuals, associations, or corporations does not affect the official's or employee's duties or functions at the regulatory agency.

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c. The selling or leasing of any goods, real estate, or services by the official or employee to an individual, association, or corporation does not include advocacy on behalf of the individual, association, or corporation to the regulatory agency in which the person is an official or employee.

d. The selling or leasing of any goods, real estate, or services by the official or employee to an individual, association, or corporation does not cause the official or employee to sell or lease goods, real estate, or services to the regulatory agency on behalf of the individual, association, or corporation.

PAT GRASSLEY Speaker of the House

JAKE CHAPMAN

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 491, Eighty-ninth General Assembly.

MEGMAN NELSON Chief Clerk of the House

KIM REYNOLOS Governor

Approved April 50th, 2021