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House File 549

Industrial and Human Relations.

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Passed House, Date 5/11

Passed Senate, Date 5/38

Vote: Ayes 112 Nays 0

Vote: Ayes 71 Nays 10

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motion to reconsider 5/28

passed senate as amended 5/28 (45-4)

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A BILL FOR

An Act to establish a committee to be known as the governor's committee on employment of the handicapped, to prescribe the duties and responsibilities of the committee, and to provide an appropriation therefor.

passed house as amended 5/29 (88-0)

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

1 Section 1. There is hereby established a committee to be know
2 as the "Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped".

1 Sec. 2. The committee shall be composed of a minimum of twenty-
2 four (24) members appointed by the governor and such additional
3 members as the governor may appoint. Insofar as practicable, the
4 committee shall consist of representatives of industry, labor,
5 business, agriculture, federal, state, and local government, and
6 representatives of religious, charitable, fraternal, civic, educa-
7 tional, medical, legal, veteran, welfare, women's, and other pro-
8 fessional groups and organizations. Members shall be appointed
9 representing every geographic center and employment area of the
10 state.

1 Sec. 3. The following shall serve as ex officio members of
2 the committee.

3 1. The commissioner of public health.

4 2. The director of mental health of the state board of

- 5 control.
- 6 3. The state superintendent of public instruction.
- 7 4. The director of vocational rehabilitation.
- 8 5. The director of the commission for the blind.
- 9 6. The commissioner of labor.
- 10 7. The industrial commissioner.
- 11 8. The chairman of the employment security commission.
- 12 9. The chairman of the state board of social welfare.
- 13 10. A member of the state board of vocational education desig-
- 14 nated by the governor.

1 Sec. 4. Members of the committee appointed by the governor

2 shall serve for a term of two (2) years except that of the members

3 appointed as of the effective date of this Act, one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$)

4 shall serve until June 30, 1966, and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) shall serve

5 until June 30, 1967. Vacancies on the committee shall be filled

6 for the remainder of the term of the original appointment. Mem-

7 bers whose terms expire may be reappointed.

1 Sec. 5. The governor shall appoint a committee chairman and a

2 vice-chairman and such other officers as he deems necessary. Such

3 officers shall serve until their successors are appointed and

4 qualified. Members of the committee shall receive no compensation

5 for their services but may upon authorization of the chairman be

6 reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred in the perform-

7 ance of official duties.

1 Sec. 6. The committee shall:

2 1. Carry on a continuing program to promote the employment

3 of handicapped persons.

4 2. Co-operate with all public and private agencies interested

5 in the employment of the handicapped.

6 3. Co-operate with all agencies responsible for or inter-
7 ested in the rehabilitation and placement of the handicapped.

8 4. Encourage the organization of committees at the community
9 level and work closely with such committees in promoting the em-
10 ployment of the handicapped.

11 5. Assist in developing employer acceptance of qualified handi-
12 capped workers.

13 6. Inform handicapped persons of specific facilities available
14 in seeking employment.

15 7. Conduct such educational programs as members deem necessary.

16 8. Report annually to the governor and general assembly on com-
17 mittee activities and submit any recommendations believed neces-
18 sary in promoting the employment of handicapped persons.

1 Sec. 7. Committee officers may appoint an executive secretary
2 and designate the duties and obligations of the position. Any
3 person so employed may be the employee of another agency of state
4 government appointed with the consent of the executive officer of
5 such agency. The officers may appoint such other personnel as may
6 be necessary for the efficient performance of the duties pre-
7 scribed by this Act.

1 Sec. 8. The committee is authorized to receive any gifts,
2 grants, or donations made for any of the purposes of its program
3 and to disburse and administer the same in accordance with the
4 terms thereof.

1 Sec. 9. There is hereby appropriated to the governor's com-
2 mittee on employment of the handicapped from the general fund of
3 the state for each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 1965,

4 and ending June 30, 1967, the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000)
 5 dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary for carrying out
 6 the purpose of this Act.

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 549

This bill provides for continuity of a unified effort to make employment opportunities available to the handicapped citizen of the State of Iowa. The bill establishes the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped to carry out the purposes of this Act and authorizes the employment of full-time personnel to develop statewide and community efforts to promote the employment of the handicapped of the State of Iowa.

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- 1 Amend House File 549 by striking all of section 5
- 2 after the word "services" in line 5, and inserting
- 3 a period (.) in lieu thereof.

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House amended 5/29

By RIGLER.