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HOUSE FILE 532

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## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the operation of food service in public
- 2 buildings by the commission for the blind.
- 3 *Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*
- 4 Section 1. It is the policy of this state to provide maxi-
- 5 mum opportunities for training blind persons, helping them to
- 6 become self-supporting and demonstrating their capabilities.
- 7 This Act shall be construed to carry out this policy.
- 8 Sec. 2. For the purposes of this Act:
- 9 1. "Public office building" means the state capitol, all
- 10 county courthouses, all city or town halls, and all buildings
- 11 used primarily for governmental offices of the state or any
- 12 county, city, or town. It does not include public schools or
- 13 buildings at institutions of the state board of regents or the
- 14 state department of social services.
- 15 2. "Food service" includes restaurant, cafeteria, snack
- 16 bar, vending machines for food and beverages, and goods and
- 17 services customarily offered in connection with any of the
- 18 foregoing. It does not include goods and services offered by
- 19 a veteran's newsstand under section nineteen point sixteen
- 20 (19.16) or section three hundred thirty-two point five (332.5)

1 of the Code.

2 Sec. 3. A governmental agency which proposes to operate or  
3 continue a food service in a public office building shall  
4 first attempt in good faith to make an arrangement for the com-  
5 mission for the blind to operate the food service without  
6 payment of rent. The governmental agency shall not offer or  
7 grant to any other party a contract or concession to operate  
8 such food service unless the governmental agency determines in  
9 good faith that the commission for the blind is not willing to  
10 or cannot satisfactorily provide such food service. This Act  
11 shall not impair any valid contract existing on the effective  
12 date of this Act, and shall not preclude renegotiation of such  
13 contract on the same terms and with the same parties.

14 Sec. 4. With respect to all state, county, municipal, and  
15 school buildings which are not subject to section three (3) of  
16 this Act, the governmental agency in charge of the building  
17 shall consider allowing the commission for the blind to oper-  
18 ate any existing or proposed food service in the building, and  
19 shall discuss such operation with the commission for the blind  
20 upon its request.

#### EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 532

This bill encourages governmental agencies to provide maximum opportunities for training blind persons and helping them to become self-supporting. The commission for the blind is to be offered the opportunity to operate food services in governmental agency buildings unless it cannot do so.

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1 Amend House File 532 by inserting after the period  
2 in line ten (10) on page two (2) the following:  
3 "Any contract made under the provisions of this  
4 act relating to operation of food service by the blind  
5 shall contain a provision to the effect that at least  
6 ten percent of the employees of such service shall be  
7 blind personnel."

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