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HOUSE FILE 5  
BY CHURCHILL

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the approval requirement for senate  
2 confirmation of gubernatorial and other appointments.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 2.32, subsection 6, unnumbered  
2 paragraph 1, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:

3 The confirmation of every appointment submitted to the  
4 senate requires the approval of ~~two-thirds~~ a constitutional  
5 majority of the members of the senate.

6 Sec. 2. Section 80.3, Code 1995, is amended to read as  
7 follows:

8 80.3 VACANCY.

9 A commissioner of public safety appointed when the general  
10 assembly is not in session shall serve at the pleasure of the  
11 governor, but the term shall expire thirty days after the  
12 general assembly next convenes in regular session, unless  
13 during such thirty days the senate confirms the appointment of  
14 ~~the commissioner be-approved-by-two-thirds-of-the-members-of~~  
15 ~~the-senate.~~

16 Sec. 3. Section 333A.2, subsection 1, paragraphs b and c,  
17 Code 1995, are amended to read as follows:

18 b. Five elected county officials who are regularly  
19 involved in budget preparation. One county official shall be  
20 from a county with a population of less than eleven thousand  
21 five hundred, one from a county with a population of more than  
22 eleven thousand five hundred but not more than sixteen  
23 thousand, one from a county with a population of more than  
24 sixteen thousand but not more than twenty-two thousand five  
25 hundred, one from a county with a population of more than  
26 twenty-two thousand five hundred but not more than eighty  
27 thousand and one from a county with a population of more than  
28 eighty thousand. The governor shall select and appoint the  
29 county officials, subject to ~~the-approval-of-two-thirds-of-the~~  
30 ~~members-of~~ confirmation by the senate.

31 c. A certified public accountant experienced in  
32 governmental accounting selected and appointed by the governor  
33 ~~with-the-approval-of-two-thirds-of-the-members-of~~ and subject  
34 to confirmation by the senate.

35 EXPLANATION

1 This bill changes the vote necessary for senate  
2 confirmation of gubernatorial and other appointments from a  
3 two-thirds majority to a constitutional majority of the  
4 members of the senate.

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