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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the employment of legal counsel for civil  
2 services commissions.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 400.27, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code  
2 1997, is amended by striking the unnumbered paragraph and  
3 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4 The civil service commission may employ legal counsel to  
5 represent the commission or to present matters concerning  
6 civil service employees to the commission. The legal counsel  
7 shall not be the city attorney or solicitor or the city  
8 attorney, solicitor, or legal counsel for any other city in  
9 this state. The city shall pay the costs incurred by the  
10 commission in employing an attorney pursuant to this section.

11 Sec. 2. Section 25B.2, subsection 3, shall not apply to  
12 this Act.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill provides that a city civil service commission may  
15 employ a legal counsel to represent the commission or present  
16 matters concerning civil service employees to the commission.  
17 However, the legal counsel shall not be the city attorney or  
18 solicitor or the city attorney, solicitor, or legal counsel  
19 for any other city in the state.

20 This bill may include a state mandate as defined in section  
21 25B.3. This bill makes inapplicable section 25B.2, subsection  
22 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from complying  
23 with a state mandate if the funding for the cost of the state  
24 mandate is not provided for or specified. Therefore,  
25 political subdivisions are required to comply with any state  
26 mandate included in this bill.

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