

3/5/97 Small Business

FILED MAR 5 1997

SENATE FILE 306
BY GRONSTAL

Passed Senate, Date _____ Passed House, Date _____
Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____ Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____
Approved _____

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to required eligibility criteria for economic
2 development assistance programs.

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

- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11
- 12
- 13
- 14
- 15
- 16
- 17
- 18
- 19
- 20
- 21
- 22
- 23
- 24
- 25

SF 306

1 Section 1. Section 15A.1, Code 1997, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. All economic development programs
4 shall include, as part of the eligibility criteria, all of the
5 following provisions:

6 a. In order to participate in the program, the applicant
7 must demonstrate the economic development assistance will
8 result in jobs that have a high wage scale, a low turnover
9 rate, and comprehensive health benefits.

10 b. In order for a corporation which is not new to
11 participate in the program, the applicant must demonstrate a
12 history of good corporate citizenship by providing business
13 records regarding environmental protection, compliance with
14 labor laws, and worker safety.

15 c. A participant who fails to continue compliance with
16 paragraphs "a" and "b" of this subsection after receiving
17 economic development assistance shall repay to the state, the
18 city, or the county all economic development assistance
19 received by the participant for the business under the
20 program.

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill provides that economic development programs shall
23 include, as part of the eligibility criteria, all of the
24 following:

25 1. The applicant must demonstrate that the economic
26 assistance will result in high quality jobs.

27 2. An applicant that is a corporation which is not new
28 must demonstrate a history of good corporate citizenship.

29 3. A participant who fails to continue compliance with
30 high quality jobs and good corporate citizenship requirements
31 after receiving economic development assistance shall repay to
32 the state, the city, or the county all economic development
33 assistance received by the participant for the business under
34 the program.

35