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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE 205
BY CARROLL

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning persons serving as locally elected governmental
2 officials and the removal of certain retirement disincentives
3 to such service.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 97B.52A, subsection 1, paragraph b,
2 Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. For a member whose first month of entitlement is July
4 1998 or later, the member does not return to any employment,
5 except employment as an elected official, with a covered
6 employer until the member has qualified for no fewer than four
7 calendar months of retirement benefits. For purposes of this
8 paragraph, "elected official" means a person elected to a
9 public office, as defined in section 56.2, but does not mean a
10 member of the general assembly or a statewide elected
11 official.

12 EXPLANATION

13 This bill provides that a member of the Iowa public
14 employees' retirement system (IPERS) may retire and receive
15 retirement benefits even if the person remains in employment
16 or returns to employment within four months with a covered
17 employer, as an elected official. Under current law, IPERS
18 members who retire must not return to any employment with an
19 employer covered under IPERS for four months or else the
20 member is not eligible to receive retirement benefits. The
21 bill defines elected official as a person elected to any
22 county, city, or school office but excludes those persons
23 elected to the general assembly or to a statewide office.

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