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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for a study by the department of human rights  
2 concerning persons of Asian and Pacific islander heritage.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS -- ASIAN AND PACIFIC  
2 ISLANDER STUDY. The department of human rights shall conduct  
3 a study to consider the possible establishment of a commission  
4 within the department dedicated to persons of Asian and  
5 Pacific islander heritage. In conducting the study, the  
6 department shall solicit input from members of other  
7 commissions within the department of human rights as well as  
8 from persons of Asian and Pacific islander heritage. The  
9 department shall consider whether a commission should be  
10 established, and if established, the duties, scope, and  
11 membership of the commission. The department shall also  
12 consider what countries of origin should be represented by any  
13 proposed commission. The department of human rights shall  
14 submit a report on the study, and make recommendations, to the  
15 general assembly by January 1, 2000.

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## EXPLANATION

17 This bill requires the department of human rights to  
18 conduct a study concerning the possible establishment of a  
19 commission concerned with persons of Asian and Pacific  
20 islander heritage. The department shall submit a report on  
21 the study to the general assembly by January 1, 2000.

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