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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the qualification of housing businesses under  
 2 the alternative eligible business criteria of the enterprise  
 3 zone program.

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

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**HF 539**

1 Section 1. Section 15E.193B, subsection 2, Code 1999, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. An eligible housing business under this section  
4 ~~includes-a~~ shall meet one of the following criteria:

5 a. A housing developer or housing contractor that builds  
6 or rehabilitates a minimum of four single-family homes with a  
7 value, after completion of the building or rehabilitation, not  
8 exceeding one hundred twenty thousand dollars for each home  
9 located in that part of a city or county in which there is a  
10 designated enterprise zone or one multiple dwelling unit  
11 building containing three or more individual dwelling units  
12 with a total value per unit, after completion of the building  
13 or rehabilitation, not exceeding one hundred twenty thousand  
14 dollars located in that part of a city or county in which  
15 there is a designated enterprise zone.

16 b. (1) A housing developer or housing contractor builds  
17 or rehabilitates a minimum of four single-family homes with a  
18 value, after completion of the building or rehabilitation, not  
19 exceeding one hundred twenty thousand dollars for each home  
20 located in a city meeting the criteria listed in section  
21 15E.193A, subsection 1, paragraphs "b", "c", "e", and "f", or  
22 one multiple dwelling unit building containing three or more  
23 individual dwelling units with a total value per unit, after  
24 completion of the building or rehabilitation, not exceeding  
25 one hundred twenty thousand dollars located in a city meeting  
26 the criteria listed in section 15E.193A, subsection 1,  
27 paragraphs "b", "c", "e", and "f".

28 (2) Subsection 5 does not apply to a housing developer or  
29 housing contractor qualifying under this paragraph "b". After  
30 approval of a project by ordinance or resolution, a city shall  
31 submit an application for incentives and assistance to the  
32 department of economic development. As part of the  
33 application, the city shall submit information relating to the  
34 requirements listed in subparagraph (1) and in section  
35 15E.193, subsection 2. The department may approve, defer, or

1 deny the application.

2 Sec. 2. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6, unnumbered  
3 paragraph 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

4 An eligible housing business which has been approved to  
5 receive incentives and assistance by the department of  
6 economic development pursuant to application as provided in  
7 subsection 2, paragraph "b", subparagraph (2), or section  
8 15E.195 shall receive all of the following incentives and  
9 assistance for a period not to exceed ten years:

10 EXPLANATION

11 This bill provides that a housing business building or  
12 rehabilitating single-family homes or multiple dwelling unit  
13 buildings in an enterprise zone may be able to receive  
14 enterprise zone program incentives and assistance as an  
15 eligible housing business if certain location criteria are  
16 met. The bill provides that the building or rehabilitating  
17 must take place in a city with a population between 8,000 and  
18 24,000, in a city located not more than 35 miles from an  
19 existing enterprise zone in this state or an equivalent zone  
20 in an adjacent state, in an area with certain distress  
21 criteria, and when the housing business receives approval from  
22 the city in which the building or rehabilitating is located.  
23 Upon approval by the city, the city shall apply for incentives  
24 and assistance to the department of economic development.

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