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A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a protocol for visitors to the state capitol.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 2.47B LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL --
2 PROTOCOL FOR VISITORS TO THE CAPITOL.

3 1. The international relations committee of the
4 legislative council, in cooperation with the lieutenant
5 governor, shall establish and maintain protocol for visitors
6 to the capitol who are state, national, or international
7 officials. The international relations committee, in
8 cooperation with the lieutenant governor, shall coordinate its
9 efforts with the director of the department of economic
10 development, the director of the department of general
11 services, and the directors of any other departments, as
12 necessary to provide for all of the following:

13 a. Designated areas for vehicles transporting visiting
14 officials to the capitol.

15 b. Provision of information, telephones and other
16 communication devices, coordination of transportation, and
17 coordination of appropriate activities.

18 c. Coordination of meetings between the visiting officials
19 and the governor and other state officials.

20 d. The designation and development of a receiving area
21 that is designed to promote the state.

22 e. A clear and attractive path of ingress to and egress
23 from the capitol.

24 f. Security provisions.

25 g. Official introduction of visiting officials to the
26 general assembly while the general assembly is in session.

27 h. Other elements as appropriate to the visitor's
28 position.

29 2. The international relations committee shall designate
30 three members of the senate and three members of the house of
31 representatives to greet visiting officials and to make
32 recommendations to the full committee for any changes in the
33 protocol.

34 3. The international relations committee in cooperation
35 with the lieutenant governor and with appropriate heads of

1 departments shall develop the protocol in a manner which
2 reflects the specific position of the visiting official, and
3 the particular protocol used may vary.

4 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 7.23 PROTOCOL OFFICER FOR OFFICIAL
5 VISITORS TO THE CAPITOL.

6 The lieutenant governor shall be the state protocol officer
7 for state, national, and international officials visiting the
8 capitol. The lieutenant governor shall cooperate with the
9 international relations committee of the legislative council
10 pursuant to section 2.47B when acting in this capacity.

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EXPLANATION

12 This bill directs the international relations committee of
13 the legislative council to develop protocol to be used when
14 state, national, and international officials visit the
15 capitol. The bill directs the committee to cooperate with the
16 lieutenant governor in this effort and to coordinate efforts
17 with the directors of the department of economic development,
18 the department of general services, and any others as
19 necessary. The bill also directs the committee to select
20 three members of the senate and three members of the house of
21 representatives to greet visiting officials and to make
22 recommendations regarding changes in protocol to the full
23 committee. The bill designates the lieutenant governor as the
24 state protocol officer and directs the lieutenant governor, in
25 this capacity, to cooperate with the international relations
26 committee in implementing the directives of the bill.

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