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WAYS AND MEANS

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the classification of bed and breakfast inns
2 and homes as residential property for property tax purposes
3 and including a retroactive applicability date.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 441.21, Code 1999, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 12. Beginning with valuations established
4 on or after January 1, 1999, as used in this section,
5 "residential property" includes bed and breakfast inns and bed
6 and breakfast homes. "Bed and breakfast inn" means a hotel,
7 as defined in section 137C.2, with eleven or fewer guest
8 rooms. "Bed and breakfast home" means a private residence
9 which provides lodging and meals for guests, in which the host
10 or hostess resides and which has eleven or fewer guest rooms
11 and which does not hold itself out to the public to be a
12 restaurant, hotel, or motel, does not require reservations,
13 and serves food only to overnight guests.

14 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies retroactively to
15 January 1, 1999, for assessment years beginning on or after
16 that date.

17 EXPLANATION

18 The bill provides that bed and breakfast inns and homes are
19 classified as residential property for property tax purposes.
20 A bed and breakfast inn is a hotel with 11 or fewer guest
21 rooms. A bed and breakfast home is a private residence where
22 the host or hostess resides, which has 11 or fewer guest
23 rooms, and which does not hold itself out to be a restaurant,
24 hotel, or motel, does not require reservations, and serves
25 food only to overnight guests.

26 The bill applies retroactively to January 1, 1999, for
27 assessment years beginning on or after that date.

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