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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to condemnation of agricultural land for  
2 recreational trails in certain counties and providing an  
3 effective date.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 6A.21, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
2 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. "Private development purposes" means the construction  
4 of, or improvement related to, recreational trails in counties  
5 with less than two hundred thousand population, recreational  
6 development paid for primarily with private funds, housing and  
7 residential development, or commercial or industrial  
8 enterprise development.

9 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of  
10 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

11 EXPLANATION

12 Current law provides that agricultural land may not be  
13 condemned for private development purposes, which includes  
14 recreational trails, unless the owner of the land consents to  
15 the condemnation. This bill provides that "private  
16 development purposes" includes only recreational trails in  
17 counties of less than 200,000 population.

18 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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