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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE 2077
BY HUTTER

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for legislative membership on the state racing
2 and gaming commission.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 99D.5, subsections 1, 2, 3, and 4, Code
2 2003, are amended to read as follows:

3 1. A state racing and gaming commission is created within
4 the department of inspections and appeals consisting of nine
5 members, including five voting members who and four nonvoting
6 members.

7 a. The voting members of the commission shall be appointed
8 by the governor subject to confirmation by the senate, and who
9 shall serve not to exceed a three-year term at the pleasure of
10 the governor. The term of each voting member shall begin and
11 end as provided in section 69.19.

12 b. The nonvoting members of the commission shall be two
13 state representatives, one appointed by the speaker of the
14 house of representatives and one by the minority leader of the
15 house of representatives, and two state senators, one
16 appointed by the majority leader of the senate and one by the
17 minority leader of the senate.

18 2. A vacancy of a voting member on the commission shall be
19 filled as provided in section 2.32.

20 3. Not more than three voting members of the commission
21 shall belong to the same political party. A member of the
22 commission shall not have a financial interest in a racetrack.

23 4. a. ~~Commission~~ The voting members of the commission are
24 each entitled to receive an annual salary of six thousand
25 dollars. ~~Members~~ Voting members shall also be reimbursed for
26 actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties to
27 a maximum of thirty thousand dollars per year for the
28 commission. Each voting member shall post a bond in the
29 amount of ten thousand dollars, with sureties to be approved
30 by the governor, to guarantee the proper handling and
31 accounting of moneys and other properties required in the
32 administration of this chapter. The premiums on the bonds
33 shall be paid as other expenses of the commission.

34 b. Legislative members shall be paid the per diem and
35 expenses specified in section 2.10 for each day of service.

1 The per diem and expenses of the legislative members shall be
2 paid from funds appropriated under section 2.12.

3 EXPLANATION

4 This bill provides for the addition of two state senators
5 and two state representatives as nonvoting members of the
6 state racing and gaming commission. The senate members shall
7 be appointed by the majority and minority leaders of the
8 senate, and the house members shall be appointed by the
9 speaker of the house and minority leader of the house of
10 representatives. The bill provides that the legislative
11 members are not paid a salary nor are they required to post
12 bond in the same manner as current members. However, the bill
13 does provide that the legislative members are paid their per
14 diem and expenses for participation on the commission. The
15 conflict of interest provisions that currently apply to
16 members of the racing and gaming commission members are not
17 made inapplicable to the nonvoting legislative members of the
18 commission by this bill.

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