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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to classification of apartment buildings for 2 purposes of property taxation and including effective date and 3 retroactive applicability date provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
S.F. $\qquad$ H.F. 2501

Section l. Section 441.21, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. llA. Beginning with valuations established on or after January l, 2006, as used in this section, "residential property" includes property that is an apartment building.

For purposes of this subsection, "apartment building" means the land and building used primarily for human habitation and containing three or more separate living quarters, as well as structures and improvements used primarily as a part of or in conjunction with such land and building. "Apartment building" does not include a hotel, motel, inn, or other building where rooms are usually rented for less than one month, a nursing home, or a rest home.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE AND RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATES. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment and applies retroactively to January l, 2006, for assessment years beginning on or after that date.

EXPLANATION
This bill provides that apartment buildings shall be assessed as residential property. The bill defines "apartment building".

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