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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the appointment of minorities to appointive 2 boards, commissions, committees and councils.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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Section 1. NEW SECTION. 69.16B MINORITY REPRESENTATION.
All appointive boards, commissions, committees, and councils of the state established by the Code if not otherwise provided by law shall, in the aggregate, provide for minority representation. A person shall not be appointed or reappointed to any board, commission, committee, or council established by the Code if that appointment or reappointment would cause the percentage of total members of all boards, commissions, committees, and councils subject to this section, of a particular minority, to be less than the percentage of that minority of the total population of the state based upon the most recent federal decennial census. All appointing authorities of boards, commissions, committees, and councils subject to this section shall consult with one another to avoid a violation of this section. For purposes of this section, "minority" means a minority person as defined in section 15.102 .

## EXPLANATION

This bill provides that all appointive boards, commissions, committees, and councils established by the Code shall provide for minority representation. The bill provides that no person shall be appointed to any board, commission, committee, or council if that appointment would cause the percentage of total members of all boards, commissions, committees, and councils to be less than the percentage of that particular minority of the population of the state based upon the last census. A minority person means an individual who is a Black, Hispanic, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian, or Alaskan native American.

