House Concurrent Resolution 7 - Introduced

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.
                                BY FORD
   3 A Concurrent Resolution requesting establishment of an
         interim study committee by the Legislative Council to
         conduct a study of issues related to accountability
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         and fraud in contracts or agreements between private
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         contractors and the State of Iowa.
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         WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has numerous business
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   9 agreements with private contractors to provide goods
  10 and services to the state through purchase contracts,
1 11 requests for proposals, and other types of direct or
1 12 indirect relationships; and
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         WHEREAS, concern has been expressed by citizens of
1 14 this state regarding oversight of such contracts or
1 15 agreements with private entities in order to ensure
1 16 the quality and efficiency of goods and services
  17 provided to the state by such private contractors and
1 18 to make the best possible use of taxpayer resources;
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  20 WHEREAS, concern has also been expressed by 21 citizens of this state regarding oversight of such
1 22 contracts or agreements with private contractors to
  23 ensure that fraud does not occur pursuant to such
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  24 contracts or agreements; and
         WHEREAS, the General Assembly believes that a
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  26 comprehensive study of issues related to fraud and
1 27 accountability in contracts or agreements with private
1 28 contractors by the state is necessary and in the best
1 29 interest of the economic health of the citizens of the
  30 State of Iowa; NOW THEREFORE,
1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE
   2 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Council is
   3 requested to establish an interim study committee to
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   4 conduct a comprehensive study of issues concerning the
   5 oversight of contracts or agreements with private
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   6 contractors to ensure accountability and to prevent
   7 fraud in such contracts or agreements; and
8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study
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   9 committee should be composed of 10 members consisting
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  10 of members from both political parties and both houses
  11 of the General Assembly; and
         BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall
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  13 consult with staff in state agencies who have worked
  14 on accountability measures and antifraud efforts and
2 15 the committee may consult with other groups in the
2 16 state or with staff members in other states or
2 17 national organizations that have worked on 2 18 accountability measures and antifraud efforts; and
  BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall be 20 staffed by the Legislative Services Agency, and shall 21 begin its deliberations following the adjournment of
  22 the 2007 Session of the General Assembly, and shall
  23 issue its report of recommendations by January 1,
  24 2008.
2 25 LSB 2633YH 82
2 26 eg:nh/cf/24
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