

# House File 2453 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act directing certain state agencies to increase efforts to  
2 publicize their programs.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 1 Section 1. Section 15.108, subsection 9, Code Supplement  
1 2 2007, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:  
1 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. g. Increase, to the extent practicable,  
1 4 public awareness of the department's programs targeting women,  
1 5 minorities, and economically disadvantaged persons by  
1 6 distributing informational material to religious, nonprofit,  
1 7 and business organizations and encouraging those organizations  
1 8 to assist in maximizing awareness of the department's  
1 9 programs.

1 10 Sec. 2. Section 16.6, Code 2007, is amended by adding the  
1 11 following new subsection:

1 12 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. To the extent practicable, the  
1 13 executive director shall increase public awareness of the  
1 14 authority's programs targeting minorities, the elderly, and  
1 15 the economically disadvantaged by distributing informational  
1 16 material to religious, nonprofit, and business organizations  
1 17 and encouraging those organizations to assist in maximizing  
1 18 awareness of the authority's programs.

1 19 Sec. 3. Section 135.11, Code Supplement 2007, is amended  
1 20 by adding the following new subsection:

1 21 NEW SUBSECTION. 32. To the extent practicable, the  
1 22 director shall increase public awareness of the department's  
1 23 programs by distributing informational material to religious,  
1 24 nonprofit, and business organizations and encouraging those  
1 25 organizations to assist in maximizing awareness of the  
1 26 department's programs.

1 27 Sec. 4. Section 216A.2, Code 2007, is amended by adding  
1 28 the following new subsection:

1 29 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. To the extent practicable, increase  
1 30 public awareness of the programs and forms of public  
1 31 assistance available through the divisions of the department  
1 32 by distributing informational material to religious,  
1 33 nonprofit, and business organizations and encouraging those  
1 34 organizations to assist in maximizing awareness of the  
1 35 existence of such divisions, the programs they administer, and  
2 1 the assistance available through those divisions.

2 2 Sec. 5. Section 217.3, Code 2007, is amended by adding the  
2 3 following new subsection:

2 4 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. To the extent practicable, encourage  
2 5 the divisions within the department to increase public  
2 6 awareness of the programs and forms of public assistance  
2 7 available through the department by distributing informational  
2 8 material to religious, nonprofit, and business organizations  
2 9 and encouraging those organizations to assist in maximizing  
2 10 awareness of such programs and assistance available through  
2 11 the department.

### EXPLANATION

2 12 This bill requires, to the extent practicable, the  
2 13 department of economic development, the Iowa finance  
2 14 authority, the department of public health, the department of  
2 15 human services, and the department of human rights to increase  
2 16 public awareness of the programs and forms of public  
2 17 assistance available through these agencies by distributing  
2 18 informational material to religious, nonprofit, and business  
2 19 organizations and encouraging those organizations to assist in  
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2 21 maximizing awareness of the programs and assistance available  
2 22 through those departments.  
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