

House File 553 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring governmental entities to hold a public hearing
2 prior to hiring a consultant for hiring personnel.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 1531YH 82
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 26A.1 PUBLIC CONSULTING
1 2 CONTRACTS FOR PERSONNEL == PUBLIC HEARING.
1 3 1. For purposes of this section, unless the context
1 4 otherwise requires, "governmental entity" means the state, a
1 5 political subdivision of the state, a public school
1 6 corporation, and any officer, board, or commission empowered
1 7 by law to enter into a consulting contract for personnel
1 8 hiring.
1 9 2. A governmental entity shall not enter into a contract
1 10 to hire a consultant for the purpose of hiring personnel until
1 11 the governmental entity has held a public hearing and has
1 12 approved the consulting contract. Notice of the hearing must
1 13 be published in a manner consistent with the requirements of
1 14 section 362.3. At the hearing, any interested person may
1 15 appear and file objections to the proposed consulting
1 16 contract. After hearing objections, the governmental entity
1 17 shall enter its decision on the consulting contract.

EXPLANATION

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1 19 This bill provides that a governmental entity shall not
1 20 enter into a contract to hire a consultant for the purpose of
1 21 hiring personnel until the entity has held a public hearing.
1 22 The bill requires the governmental entity to give notice of
1 23 the hearing and to not make a decision on the contract until
1 24 after the hearing is conducted. The bill defines governmental
1 25 entity to include the state, political subdivisions of the
1 26 state, and public school corporations.
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