

House Study Bill 184

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BY (PROPOSED CIVIL RIGHTS
COMMISSION BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act granting the civil rights commission additional subpoena
2 power to investigate unfair or discriminatory practices.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 1220DP 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 216.5, subsection 13, Code 2007, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:
1 3 13. To issue subpoenas and order discovery as provided by
1 4 this section in aid of investigations and hearings of alleged
1 5 unfair or discriminatory ~~housing or real property~~ practices.
1 6 The subpoenas and discovery may be ordered to the same extent
1 7 and are subject to the same limitations as subpoenas and
1 8 discovery in a civil action in district court.

1 9 EXPLANATION

1 10 This bill grants the civil rights commission the authority
1 11 to issue subpoenas and order discovery to aid in investigating
1 12 alleged unfair or discriminatory practices. Current law
1 13 grants the commission this subpoena authority only for
1 14 investigations of unfair or discriminatory housing or real
1 15 property practices.
1 16 LSB 1220DP 82
1 17 ec:rj/sh/8