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(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1019)

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A BILL FOR

An Act granting the civil rights commission additional subpoena
 power to investigate unfair or discriminatory practices and
 providing an effective date.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 Section 1. Section 216.5, subsection 13, Code 2007, is 1 1 2 amended to read as follows: 13. To issue subpoenas and order discovery as provided by 1 3 4 this section in aid of investigations and hearings of alleged 1 5 unfair or discriminatory housing or real property practices. 6 The subpoenas and discovery may be ordered to the same extent 1 1 1 7 and are subject to the same limitations as subpoenas and 8 discovery in a civil action in district court. 9 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of 1 9 1 1 10 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment. EXPLANATION 1 11 1 12 This bill grants the civil rights commission the authority 1 13 to issue subpoenas and order discovery to aid in investigating 1 14 alleged unfair or discriminatory practices. Current law 1 15 grants the commission this subpoena authority only for 1 16 investigations of unfair or discriminatory housing or real 1 17 property practices. The bill takes effect upon enactment. 1 18 LSB 1220SV 82 1 19 ec:rj/es/88