HOUSE FILE _____ BY COMMITTEE ON REBUILD IOWA AND DISASTER RECOVERY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 252)

(COMPANION TO SF 268 BY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the award of local watershed improvement 2 grants.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 4 TLSB 1140HV 83

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Section 1. Section 466A.3, subsection 4, paragraph a, Code 1 1 2 2009, is amended to read as follows: 3 a. Award local watershed improvement grants and monitor 1 1 3 1 4 the progress of local watershed improvement projects awarded 1 5 grants. A local watershed improvement grant may be awarded 6 for $\frac{1}{a}$ an original period not to exceed three five years. 1 1 7 However, during those five years, the board may extend the 8 period of the award for up to five additional years after the 9 date that the original period would have ended. Each local 1 1 10 watershed improvement grant awarded shall not exceed ten 1 11 percent of the moneys appropriated for the grants during a 1 12 fiscal year. 1 13 EXPLANATION 1 14 This bill amends Code chapter 466A, which provides for a 1 15 watershed improvement fund to enhance water quality in the 1 16 state through a variety of impairment=based, locally directed 1 17 watershed improvement grant projects (Code section 466A.2). 1 18 The fund is administered by a watershed improvement review 1 19 board, which awards grants to support local watershed 1 20 improvement projects. 1 21 The bill increases the period of use for such awards from 22 three to five years and provides that during those five years, 23 the board may extend the period of use for an additional five 1 1 1 24 years. 1 25 LSB 1140HV 83 1 26 da/rj/8