SENATE FILE 2184 BY COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC GROWTH

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2019)

## A BILL FOR

- An Act relating to eligible lenders for the home ownership
   assistance program for military members.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 16.54, subsection 4, paragraphs a and b,
 Code 2009, are amended to read as follows:

*a.* The person eligible for the program shall, for financed 4 home purchases that close on or after July 1, 2008, use a 5 lender that participates in the authority's applicable programs 6 for first-time homebuyers or a lender approved by the authority 7 under subsection 4A.

b. If the person eligible for the program is a first-time
homebuyer, then, for For financed home purchases that close on
or after July 1, 2008, the eligible person shall participate,
if eligible to participate, in one of the authority's
<u>other</u> applicable programs for first-time homebuyers. However,
a person eligible for one of the authority's other applicable
programs for homebuyers may use a lender that does not
participate in the authority's programs for homebuyers if such
lender is approved by the authority under subsection 4A.
Sec. 2. Section 16.54, Code 2009, is amended by adding the

18 following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. a. A mortgage lender maintaining an office in the state that does not participate in the authority's programs for homebuyers may submit an application to the authority for approval to provide a mortgage loan or other financing under the home ownership assistance program or another homebuyer program, if applicable pursuant to subsection f, paragraph "b". The authority shall prescribe a form for such applications.

*b.* The authority shall by rule establish criteria for the review and approval of applications submitted under this subsection, including criteria for the approval of a mortgage lender that offers an eligible person a lower annual percentage rate than the annual percentage rates available from lenders that participate in the authority's applicable programs for homebuyers.

34 c. The authority may determine and collect a reasonable 35 application fee for each application submitted under this

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subsection. The application fees collected under this
 subsection shall be used exclusively for costs associated with
 the review and approval of applications submitted under this
 subsection.

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## EXPLANATION

6 This bill allows eligible persons for the home ownership 7 assistance program for military members to use a lender that 8 does not participate in the Iowa finance authority's other 9 programs for homebuyers if an application submitted by the 10 lender is approved by the authority. The bill also removes the ll provision that requires eligible persons to use lenders that 12 participate in the authority's first-time homebuyer programs. 13 Under the bill, an eligible person may use a lender that 14 participates in any of the authority's programs for homebuyers. 15 The bill allows a mortgage lender that maintains an office in 16 the state to submit an application to the authority to provide 17 a mortgage loan or other financing under the home ownership 18 assistance program for military members or other homebuyer 19 program if the eligible person is required to participate in 20 another program. The bill requires the authority to prescribe 21 a form for such applications.

The bill requires the authority to establish criteria for the review and approval of applications submitted by lenders. The bill allows the authority to determine and collect a reasonable application fee for each application submitted. The bill requires all fees collected by the authority to be used reclusively for costs associated with the review and approval submitted applications.

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