

House Study Bill 68 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
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PUBLIC SAFETY BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act authorizing the modification of the designation of a
2 state patrol officer.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 80.26, Code 2011, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **80.26 Designation by department of administrative services.**

4 1. Notwithstanding the use of the designations "*enforcement*
5 *officer*", "*officer*", "*gaming enforcement officer*", and "*special*
6 *agent*" in this chapter and chapters 97A, 97B, 99D, and 99F,
7 nothing shall prohibit the department of administrative
8 services from officially designating gaming enforcement
9 officers or special agents by another class title for purposes
10 of identifying job classifications. Any official class
11 title designation made by the department of administrative
12 services shall not create or establish any new employee rights
13 with respect to promotional opportunities, compensation, or
14 benefits, or establish any connection that does not exist as
15 of July 1, 2010, between the designation of gaming enforcement
16 officer and any existing job classifications, including special
17 agents, as a result of a change in designation.

18 2. Notwithstanding the use of the designations "*state*
19 *patrol*" and "*senior patrol officer of the state patrol*" in this
20 chapter and chapter 97A, nothing shall prohibit the department
21 of administrative services from officially designating
22 state patrol officers by another class title for purposes
23 of identifying job classifications. Any official class
24 title designation made by the department of administrative
25 services shall not create or establish any new employee rights
26 with respect to promotional opportunities, compensation, or
27 benefits, or establish any connection that does not exist as of
28 July 1, 2011, between the designation of a state patrol officer
29 and any existing job classifications, as a result of a change
30 in designation.

31 **Sec. 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT — CONSTRUCTION.**

32 1. It is the intent of the general assembly that any change
33 in class title designation pursuant to this Act shall not
34 modify the existing job classification or duties for a state
35 patrol officer. The general assembly reaffirms that changes

1 to existing compensation levels should be determined by the
2 collective bargaining process and not determined by a change in
3 employee designation as authorized by this Act.

2. Any change to the class title designation by the department of administrative services relating to state patrol officers pursuant to this Act shall be construed as a nonsubstantive change.

EXPLANATION

9 This bill authorizes the department of administrative
10 services to change the class title designation of a state
11 patrol officer. The bill provides that the change in
12 designation shall not create or establish new employee rights
13 with respect to promotional opportunities, compensation, or
14 benefits, or establish any connection that does not exist as of
15 July 1, 2011, between the designation of a state patrol officer
16 and any existing job classifications, as a result of a change
17 in designation.

18 The bill also provides that it is the intent of the general
19 assembly that the change in designation is for official
20 designation purposes only and shall not modify the existing job
21 classification or duties for a state patrol officer as of July
22 1, 2011.