

House File 2179 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the determination of city population for
2 purposes of civil service commissions.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 400.1, subsection 2, Code 2020, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. For the purpose of determining the population of a city
4 under this chapter, the most recent decennial federal census
5 ~~conducted in 1980~~ shall be used. However, if a city had a
6 population of eight thousand or more according to any decennial
7 federal census conducted during or after 1980, the most recent
8 decennial federal census in which the city's population was
9 eight thousand or more shall be used for determining the
10 population of the city for any purpose under this chapter.

11 Sec. 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection
12 3, shall not apply to this Act.

13 EXPLANATION

14 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
15 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

16 Code section 400.1 currently requires a city having a
17 population of 8,000 or more according to the federal census
18 conducted in 1980 and having a paid fire department or a paid
19 police department, to appoint a civil service commission.
20 Code chapter 400 also establishes other powers and duties of
21 cities based on population as determined by the federal census
22 conducted in 1980.

23 This bill requires the most recent decennial federal census
24 to be used in determining the population of a city. The bill,
25 however, provides that if a city had a population of 8,000 or
26 more according to any decennial federal census conducted during
27 or after 1980, the most recent decennial federal census in
28 which the city's population was 8,000 or more shall be used for
29 determining the population of the city for any purpose under
30 Code chapter 400.

31 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
32 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section 25B.2,
33 subsection 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from
34 complying with a state mandate if funding for the cost of
35 the state mandate is not provided or specified. Therefore,

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1 political subdivisions are required to comply with any state
2 mandate included in the bill.