

House Study Bill 506 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON KAUFMANN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to governmental bodies and advisory bodies
2 under the open meetings law.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 21.2, subsection 1, paragraphs a, c, e,
2 h, and j, Code 2020, are amended to read as follows:

3 a. A board, council, commission, or other governing body
4 expressly created by the statutes of this state or by executive
5 order of the governor.

6 c. A multimembered body formally and directly created by
7 one or more boards, councils, commissions, or other governing
8 bodies subject to ~~paragraphs~~ paragraph "a" and or "b" of this
9 subsection.

10 e. An advisory board, advisory commission, advisory
11 committee, or task force formally and directly created by
12 the governor or the general assembly to develop and make
13 recommendations on public policy and budgetary issues.

14 h. An advisory board, advisory commission, advisory
15 committee, task force, or other body formally and directly
16 ~~created by statute or executive order of this state or created~~
17 ~~by an executive order of~~ any measure, including a motion,
18 resolution, amendment, or ordinance, by a political subdivision
19 of this state, one or more boards, councils, commissions, or
20 other governing bodies subject to paragraph "a" or "b", by a
21 mayor, or by a superintendent of schools if the school board of
22 a school district has expressly authorized the superintendent
23 to act on behalf of the school district, to develop and make
24 recommendations on public policy and budgetary issues to the
25 board, council, commission, or other governing body.

26 j. An advisory board, advisory commission, advisory
27 committee, task force, or other body formally and directly
28 created by an entity organized under [chapter 28E](#), or by
29 the administrator or joint board specified in a [chapter 28E](#)
30 agreement, to develop and make recommendations on public policy
31 and budgetary issues to the entity or joint board.

32 EXPLANATION

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

35 This bill relates to the regulation of a governmental body

1 under the open meetings law (Code chapter 21).

2 The bill amends the definition of governmental body under
3 the open meetings law to specify that only advisory boards,
4 advisory commissions, advisory committees, task forces, or
5 any other body that are formally and directly created by a
6 political subdivision of this state, specified governmental
7 bodies, by a mayor, or by a superintendent of schools if the
8 school board of a school district has expressly authorized the
9 superintendent to act on behalf of the school district, are
10 considered governmental bodies subject to the open meetings
11 law.