

**Senate File 201 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 201

BY BROWN

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to boards and commissions of the state.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 69.16F Boards and commissions —  
2 periodic reviews — expiration of terms.

3 1. Beginning July 1, 2019, over each succeeding five-year  
4 period of time, all appointive boards, commissions, committees,  
5 and councils of the state established by the Code shall conduct  
6 an ongoing and comprehensive review of the appointive board,  
7 commission, committee, or council, and issue a written report  
8 to the general assembly. The department of management shall  
9 establish a schedule and required submission date for the  
10 report during each five-year period for all appointive boards,  
11 commissions, committees, and councils of the state subject to  
12 the requirements of this subsection. The written report shall  
13 state the purposes and functions of the board, commission,  
14 committee, or council, including its operations, actions, and  
15 any policy initiatives undertaken during the preceding five  
16 years, and in addition shall specifically address whether the  
17 board, commission, committee, or council continues to be needed  
18 to serve the policy objectives of the state and whether any  
19 legislative changes are appropriate. Upon receipt of each  
20 written report, the speaker of the house and the president of  
21 the senate shall refer such report to the appropriate committee  
22 of the general assembly.

23 2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, at  
24 12:00 midnight on July 1, 2025, and each fifth year thereafter,  
25 all terms of office for positions on appointive boards,  
26 commissions, committees, and councils of the state established  
27 by the Code which are appointed by the governor and subject to  
28 confirmation by the senate shall expire, and no appointments  
29 to the position to fill the vacant position shall be made,  
30 unless legislation is enacted into law no sooner than three  
31 years prior to the next succeeding expiration date waiving  
32 the requirements of this subsection for an appointive board,  
33 commission, committee, or council of the state subject to the  
34 requirements of this subsection.

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EXPLANATION

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

3       This bill concerns all appointive boards, commissions,  
4 committees, and councils of the state established by the Iowa  
5 Code.

6       New Code section 69.16F establishes requirements for  
7 appointive boards, commissions, committees, and councils to  
8 conduct comprehensive reviews over each five-year period,  
9 beginning July 1, 2019. The bill requires each board,  
10 commission, committee, or council to conduct a review during  
11 each five-year period, on a schedule established by the  
12 department of management, and issue a report on the review  
13 to the general assembly. The new Code section also provides  
14 that terms of office for all positions on appointive boards,  
15 commissions, committees, and councils which are appointed by  
16 the governor and subject to confirmation by the senate expire  
17 every five years, beginning July 1, 2025, and no appointments  
18 to fill the vacancy can be made, unless legislation is enacted  
19 waiving this requirement. The bill requires that legislation  
20 waiving the requirement be enacted no sooner than three years  
21 prior to the next five-year expiration date.