

Senate File 574 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 574
BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 201)

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 — exceptions.

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. Waiving the requirements
35 of this subsection shall be the only subject matter of the

1 bill which waives the requirements of the subsection for any
2 appointive board, commission, committee, or council of the
3 state subject to this subsection.

4 3. a. This section shall not apply to the Iowa ethics and
5 campaign disclosure board established under section 68B.32.

6 b. Subsection 2 shall not apply to the following:

- 7 (1) The board of medicine as designated in section 147.13.
- 8 (2) The board of pharmacy as designated in section 147.13.
- 9 (3) The dental board as designated in section 147.13.
- 10 (4) The board of nursing as designated in section 147.13.

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EXPLANATION

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

14 This bill concerns all appointive boards, commissions,
15 committees, and councils of the state established by the Iowa
16 Code.

17 New Code section 69.16F establishes requirements for
18 appointive boards, commissions, committees, and councils to
19 conduct comprehensive reviews over each five-year period,
20 beginning July 1, 2019. The bill requires each board,
21 commission, committee, or council to conduct a review during
22 each five-year period, on a schedule established by the
23 department of management, and issue a report on the review
24 to the general assembly. The new Code section also provides
25 that terms of office for all positions on appointive boards,
26 commissions, committees, and councils which are appointed by
27 the governor and subject to confirmation by the senate expire
28 every five years, beginning July 1, 2025, and no appointments
29 to fill the vacancy can be made, unless legislation is enacted
30 waiving this requirement. The bill requires that legislation
31 waiving the requirement be enacted no sooner than three
32 years prior to the next five-year expiration date and waiving
33 the requirement shall be the only subject matter of the
34 legislation.

35 The bill further provides that the requirements of the

1 new Code section shall not apply to the Iowa ethics and
2 campaign disclosure board. In addition, the bill provides
3 that the requirement that terms of office of appointive boards
4 and commissions shall expire every five years unless the
5 requirement is waived shall not apply to the board of medicine,
6 the board of pharmacy, the dental board, and the board of
7 nursing.