

Senate File 2186 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to public employee collective bargaining
2 concerning the designation of public safety officers and
3 providing for retention and recertification elections.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 20.3, subsection 11, Code 2022, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *g.* A correctional officer employed by the
4 Iowa department of corrections.

5 NEW PARAGRAPH. *h.* A jailer or detention officer who
6 performs duties as a jailer, and who is employed by a county as
7 a jailer.

8 NEW PARAGRAPH. *i.* An employee of a judicial district
9 department of correctional services at a residential facility
10 operated by the district department.

11 Sec. 2. Section 20.15, subsection 2, Code 2022, is amended
12 by adding the following new paragraph:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. *c.* The board shall only conduct an election
14 pursuant to this subsection if the board has not previously
15 conducted such an election for the bargaining unit since the
16 last certification election pursuant to subsection 1 conducted
17 by the board for that bargaining unit.

18 EXPLANATION

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

21 This bill concerns public employee bargaining.

22 Code section 20.3 is amended to designate correctional
23 officers employed by the Iowa department of corrections,
24 jailers employed by a county, and employees of a judicial
25 district department of correctional services at a residential
26 facility operated by the district department as public safety
27 employees for the purposes of collective bargaining pursuant
28 to Code chapter 20, the public employment relations Act. Code
29 chapter 20 and Code chapter 400 include collective bargaining
30 procedures specifically applicable to public safety employees
31 that are not applicable to other public employees, including
32 procedures relating to the scope of collective bargaining
33 negotiations, arbitration procedures, and certain matters
34 relating to city civil service employment.

35 Code section 20.15 is amended to provide that the board

1 shall only conduct a retention and certification election for
2 a collective bargaining unit if the board has not previously
3 conducted such an election since the collective bargaining
4 representative for that collective bargaining unit was
5 certified.