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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 538)

(As Amended and Passed by the House February 23, 2022)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to antisemitism in the state of Iowa.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 216F.1 Definition.

2 For purposes of this chapter, "*antisemitism*" means the
3 working definition of antisemitism adopted by the international
4 holocaust remembrance alliance on May 26, 2016, and includes
5 the contemporary examples of antisemitism identified by the
6 international holocaust remembrance alliance.

7 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 216F.2 Rules of construction.

8 This chapter shall not be construed to diminish or infringe
9 upon any right protected under the first amendment to the
10 United States Constitution, or the Constitution of the State
11 of Iowa. This chapter shall not be construed to conflict with
12 local, federal, or state discrimination laws.

13 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 216F.3 Determination of discriminatory
14 acts — consideration of antisemitism.

15 1. In reviewing, investigating, or deciding whether there
16 has been a violation of any relevant policy, law, or regulation
17 prohibiting discriminatory acts, the state shall take into
18 consideration the definition of antisemitism set forth in this
19 chapter for purposes of determining whether the alleged act was
20 motivated by discriminatory antisemitic intent.

21 2. A court or other relevant authority shall apply the same
22 legal standard as applicable to like claims of discrimination
23 arising under laws of this state protecting civil rights
24 including chapter 216.

25 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 216F.4 State personnel discrimination
26 training.

27 For the purposes of training of state personnel related
28 to discrimination and anti-bias training, the definition
29 of antisemitism shall be used as an educational tool to
30 familiarize staff and officials with antisemitism.